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Dear Supervisor Storck

Ref: Promoting the "Run – Hide – Fight" Strategy for Surviving Active Shooter Events

On behalf of the MVCCA I am transmitting the attached resolution to you for your consideration and action.

Sincerely,

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Co-Chair
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Enclosed: MVCCA Resolution PS 2016-01 Public Safety Active Shooter Situation

MVCCA Resolution (Public Safety) PS 2016-01

Promoting the “Run – Hide – Fight” Strategy for Surviving Active Shooter Events

1. WHEREAS terrorist attacks and active shooter events (AKA mass shootings) are rare but shocking, and the prospect of these events is a source of public anxiety and concern; and,
 2. WHEREAS the sudden, surprising nature of a terrorist attack or active shooter event makes it difficult for private citizens to know how to cope with these events after they have begun; and,
 3. WHEREAS a sound strategy for citizens to cope with these events, referred to as “Run – Hide – Fight,” has existed since 2013, and has been adopted at the Federal (FBI), Commonwealth (VDEM), and Local (Fairfax County) levels. Similar information on the “Run – Hide – Fight” strategy is also published by many other law enforcement organizations, including Austin, Texas, and Los Angeles, California; and,
 4. WHEREAS despite adoption of the “Run – Hide – Fight” strategy by law enforcement at all levels, the general public is largely unaware of the strategy (including the “Run – Hide – Fight” video presently available on the Fairfax County website); and,
 5. WHEREAS broad-based community familiarity with the “Run – Hide – Fight” strategy can serve to improve the survivability of the citizenry and allay public anxiety.
1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens’ Associations urges Mount Vernon District Supervisor Dan Storck to promote the “Run – Hide – Fight” strategy to the citizenry at large by appropriate media outlets and education programs, in addition to promoting the video presently available on the Fairfax County website.

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