

TRANS-2010-02: NATIONAL LIBRARY FOR THE STUDY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

- 1. WHEREAS** The Mt. Vernon Ladies Association of the Union is preparing plans to construct a National Library for the Study for George Washington (the project), to serve as a repository of Washington's books and manuscripts, and as a site for scholarly activities, educational outreach, seminars and training, and
- 2. WHEREAS** the proposed site for this planned 45,000 square foot facility is at the northwest corner of Mount Vernon Memorial Highway (Route 235 South) and Mount Vernon Highway (Route 235 North) and
- 3. WHEREAS** the project will include library, office, residential and ancillary uses, including parking for approximately 60 cars, and
- 4. WHEREAS** the current proposal calls for two access points, a main gated, card-access entry off Route 235 South and a gated "emergency" access point off Route 235 North, and
- 5. WHEREAS** the project's size and uses are not contemplated in the County's Comprehensive Plan or zoned district for this location, and
- 6. WHEREAS** the project is considered by Fairfax County to be a public by-right use, and public uses are subject to a 2232 Review Process, and
- 7. WHEREAS** a Special Exception would be required if the project was not considered a public use and development conditions would accompany such a Special Exception, and
- 8. WHEREAS** early morning commuter, visitor and bus traffic patterns have the potential to make access off Route 235 South difficult, and
- 9. WHEREAS** limited site distance and the curving nature of Route 235 North could make access off it difficult without posing potential safety issues, or requiring significant alterations to the character or quality of this rural section road, and
- 10. WHEREAS** construction activities, deliveries and related traffic during the development of the project have the potential to disrupt local, Mount Vernon visitor and commuter traffic.

A) NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations requests that the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County conduct a 2232 Review Process of the public use.

B) BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, should any contemplated building plan for the site deviate from the current zoning conditions described under the current R2 designation for that site, that an application for Special Exception be required and considered concurrently with the 2232 Review Process.

END: MVCCA RESOLUTION TRANS-2010-02