

Huntington Station Homeowners' Association, Inc.

Resolution No. 5

Dredging of Cameron Run

WHEREAS Cameron Run overflowed its banks on June 25 and 26, 2006 and flooded the Huntington subdivision, a subdivision bordering Huntington Station to the east, causing extensive damage to 160 houses, and

WHEREAS a study conducted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("June 2006 Flood Investigation for Cameron Run" released January 2007) determined that a flood of this magnitude may have a 1 in 60 chance of recurrence annually, and

WHEREAS the Flood Insurance Rate Map for this area was published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in 1976 based on field data collected in 1961 and 1965, and

WHEREAS up to six feet of sediment accumulated in Cameron Run between Telegraph Road and U.S. Route 1 from 1965 to 1999, and more sediment has accumulated since then, raising flood elevations as much as two feet, and

WHEREAS development in the floodplain since 1965, including the U.S. Route 1 interchange reconstruction, Jones Point, Metro Rail, and other projects have raised flood elevations by more than one foot, and

WHEREAS Huntington Station is a community on the banks of Cameron Run, immediately west of the Huntington subdivision, consisting of 48 townhouses with a market value of nearly \$30 million, and

WHEREAS on March 27, 2002 the Federal Emergency Management Agency issued a Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill for the lots in Huntington Station removing them from the Special Flood Hazard Area as designated on the 1976 Flood Insurance Rate Map, and

WHEREAS the Letter of Map Revision Based on Fill indicates that the 1% annual chance flood elevation (NGVD 29) for Huntington Station is 11.9 feet, and

WHEREAS the lowest lot elevation in Huntington Station is 11.9 feet, and

WHEREAS data in the Army Corps of Engineers study suggests that the high water level reached in the June 2006 flood at Huntington Station was approximately 13.9 feet, and

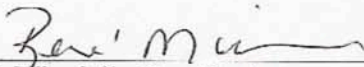
WHEREAS data in a study conducted for the Virginia Department of Transportation in February (VDOT) 2002 suggests that the 1% annual chance flood elevation is now 14.6 feet at Huntington Station, almost 3 feet above the lowest lot elevation in Huntington Station, and

WHEREAS the VDOT estimates of the 1% annual chance flood elevations appear to indicate that the lots of Huntington Station are at risk of significant flood damage in the future, and

WHEREAS if the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors takes no preventive action, homeowners in Huntington Station may find it necessary to purchase expensive flood insurance either on their own or because the terms of their mortgage requires it,


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Huntington Station Homeowners' Association urges the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to

- (1) appropriate money in its fiscal year 2008 budget to dredge Cameron Run and return it to its former depth and width as it was in 1965, and
- (2) develop and implement a program to monitor and maintain the depth and width of Cameron Run as it was in 1965 by removing excessive sediment as it accumulates, and
- (3) take other steps, such as the construction of a levee or a floodwall, to protect the houses on the south bank of Cameron Run from future floods and eliminate the need for homeowners to purchase flood insurance.




Rene Minvielle, President

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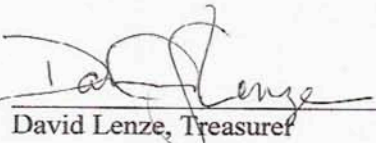
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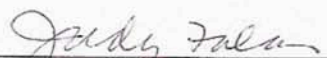
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