

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 26th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2009 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

R-FY-10-74
MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE
PRIORITIES FOR 2010

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by Gary D. Creed and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby adopts their 2010 legislative priorities which include:

- ***Regional 911 Emergency Communications Authority*** Montgomery County requests legislation be adopted to allow the jurisdictions in the New River Valley to create a Regional 911 Emergency Communications Authority.
- ***Rest Areas*** Montgomery County supports reopening the interstate highway rest areas in Montgomery County and the Commonwealth as a whole.
- ***State Budget Cuts*** Montgomery County requests that the General Assembly restore the Compensation Board funding reductions to Montgomery County's constitutional officers. In FY 2010, state cuts of Compensation Board funding to these offices total nearly \$650,000 and represent 11% of the total state funds reduced in one year. These offices cannot absorb these severe reductions and the county cannot continue to restore all the state budget reductions.
- ***Unfunded mandates*** Montgomery County continues to oppose unfunded mandates from the state or federal government. As state revenue is reduced, state mandates should also be reduced in the same proportion.
- ***Income Taxes or Other Revenue Sources to Support Local Services*** Montgomery County supports legislation to distribute a percentage of individual income tax revenues to localities, the authority to levy a local income tax, or be provided with other sources to generate revenue locally.

- ***Equal Taxing Authority*** Montgomery County supports legislation to eliminate the distinction in the taxing authority of Virginia's cities and counties.
- ***Schools***. Montgomery County supports full funding of Standards of Quality (SOQ) so that a redistribution of existing state aid among jurisdictions does not occur without an increase of state funds.-Montgomery County supports state funding allocated for teacher pay raises based on actual positions, not just positions recognized in the SOQ. Montgomery County supports "cost for competing Add-on" funding for all Virginia School Districts.
- ***Comprehensive Services Act (CSA)*** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the administrative costs of CSA, state vendor contracts for residential and treatment foster care services paid through CSA and increased state matching share for CSA costs.
- ***Water and Sewer availability fees*** Montgomery County supports legislation that would grant counties the authority to enact water and sewer availability fees, and mandatory water and sewer connection powers.
- ***Voting Machines*** Montgomery County supports full state funding for 100% of the cost of providing optical scan voting machines as required by the General Assembly Section 24.2-626 of the Code of Virginia, as amended.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
John A. Muffo	None
Gary D. Creed	
William H. Brown	
James D. Politis	
Mary W. Biggs	
Doug Marrs	
Annette S. Perkins	

ATTEST:


 F. Craig Meadows
 County Administrator