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THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS FEBRUARY, 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 25-06

Re: Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area Expansion

Whereas, Maryland's Rural Legacy Program was created by the General Assembly in 1997 to provide funding to preserve large, contiguous tracts of land and to enhance natural resource, agricultural, forestry and environmental protection while supporting a sustainable land base for natural resource based industries; and

Whereas, Frederick County has two Rural Legacy Areas, the Mid-Maryland Frederick and the Carrollton Manor areas; and

Whereas the Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area was established in 2003 and encompasses 32,206 acres; and

Whereas, The Sugarloaf Treasured Landscape Management Plan, adopted by the County Council in October 2022, recommends that the County pursue the expansion of the Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area; and

Whereas, Staff from the Office of Agriculture, the Livable Frederick Planning & Design Office, and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) identified large contiguous areas of farmland and land with natural, historic, and cultural resources to be added to the Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area; and

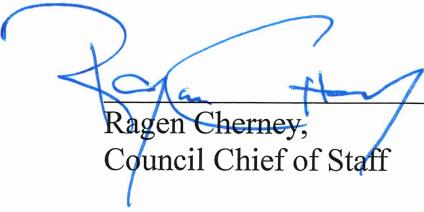
Whereas, Inclusion in the Rural Legacy Area provides a voluntary preservation option to property owners, but does not obligate property owners to preserve their land; and

Whereas, Frederick County, Maryland, finds that expansion of the Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area supports the goal of preserving 160,000 acres.

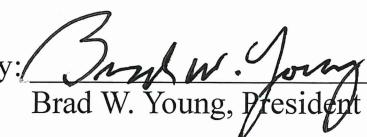
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Frederick County, Maryland, by the County Council's adoption of this Resolution and the County Executive's approval as shown below, hereby shows its support of the expansion of the Carrollton Manor Rural Legacy Area.

The undersigned hereby certify that this Resolution was approved and adopted on the 4th day of February, 2025.

ATTEST:


Ragen Cherney,
Council Chief of Staff

COUNTY COUNCIL OF
FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: 
Brad W. Young, President

2/18/2025

Date

Jessica Fitzwater

Jessica Fitzwater, County Executive
Frederick County, Maryland