



CITY OF LAUREL, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 7-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR WOODLAND JOB CORPS CENTER AND URGING CONTINUED FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE JOB CORPS PROGRAM.

Sponsored by the Laurel City Council

WHEREAS, the Woodland Job Corps Center, located in Laurel, Maryland, provides vital career and technical education to young adults, equipping them with skills necessary for gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, the Center has been instrumental in fostering a skilled workforce that contributes significantly to the local economy and community development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel recognizes the importance of the Job Corps program in offering life-changing opportunities to underserved and economically disadvantaged youth across diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, recent federal actions have placed the continued operation of the Woodland Job Corps Center in jeopardy, threatening the livelihoods of its students and staff, as well as the economic stability of the region; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Laurel acknowledges the positive impact of the Woodland Job Corps Center on the community and the potential adverse effects that its closure would entail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MARYLAND:

1. The City of Laurel hereby expresses its strong support for the continued operation and federal funding of the Woodland Job Corps Center.
2. The City of Laurel urges the Governor of Maryland, the Maryland State Legislature, and the Maryland Congressional Delegation to advocate for the preservation and funding of the Job Corps program, recognizing its critical role in workforce development and community enrichment.
3. A copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor of Maryland, the members of the Maryland State Legislature, and the Maryland Congressional Delegation to convey the City of Laurel's position on this matter.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

SARA A. GREEN, CPM, MMC
City Clerk

KYLA M. CLARK
President of the City Council

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

KEITH R. SYDNOR
Mayor