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# STEUART PITTMAN County Executive

#### SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 53

## TO CREATE THE LAUREL RACE COURSE IMPACT FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, there is a Special Fund established in accordance with §§ 11-401 and 11-402 of the Business Regulation Article of the State Code that consists of the State share of daily licensee fees, pari-mutuel taxes, impact aid, money from uncashed pari-mutuel tickets, and certain permit fees from the Laurel Race Course; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to §§ 11-404 and 11-405 of the Business Regulation Article of the State Code, a defined portion of this Special Fund is paid as an annual grant to Anne Arundel County to provide services and facilities within three miles of the Laurel Race Course; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Executive wishes to receive recommendations concerning the disposition of the grant funds received from the Special Fund; and

**WHEREAS,** community groups in the area impacted by the Laurel Race Course wish to provide recommendations concerning the disposition of the grant funds received by Anne Arundel County from the Special Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Steuart Pittman, County Executive, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter and laws of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, hereby order and direct on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023, as follows:

- 1. Executive Order No. 10, issued by former County Executive Steven R. Schuh on April 22, 2016, is hereby terminated.
- 2. The Laurel Race Course Impact Fund Advisory Committee is created.
- 3. The Committee shall meet with the frequency it determines necessary to perform its functions under this Executive Order. There shall be at least one meeting per quarter.
- 4. The Committee shall consist of fifteen (15) voting members appointed by and serving at

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pleasure of the County Executive. Among the members there shall be:

- a. nine (9) County residents of the various communities within a 3 mile radius of the Laurel Race Course;
  - b. one (1) representative of the Laurel Race Course;
  - c. the County Councilmember that represents Councilmanic District 4;
  - d. the Senator that represents Maryland Legislative District 32, or their designee; and
- e. the three (3) Delegates that represent Maryland Legislative District 32, or their designee.
- 5. The Chief Administrative Officer shall designate a representative to serve as an ex officio non-voting member of the Committee.
- 6. The County Executive shall appoint a historian as a non-voting member of the Committee.
- 7. The initial term of each community member shall be staggered so that three (3) members shall serve initial three year terms, three (3) members shall serve initial two year terms, and three (3) members shall serve initial one year terms. After the expiration of the initial terms, all community members shall serve a term of two (2) years and shall not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms.
- 8. The County Executive shall appoint one member of the Committee as Chair.
- 9. The County Executive shall assign a County staff member as liaison to the Committee to assist with administrative matters, including research.
- 10. The Committee shall develop and administer a public grant application process for interested organizations to apply for grant funding from the County's annual grant from the Special Fund, which will be widely advertised throughout Laurel Race Course's neighboring communities.
- 11. The Committee shall develop its preliminary recommendations, using community input, for the use of the County's annual grant from the Special Fund. These recommendations will be posted to allow for public notice and comment.
- 12. The Committee shall finalize its recommendation for the use of the County's annual grant from the Special Fund and develop an annual report which will include final recommendations, a summary of community input, and a summary of interested organizations who have completed the application process. The report will be delivered to the County Executive by January 15 of each calendar year. The recommendations shall be advisory in nature and will not require the County Executive to award any particular grant.
- 13. The Committee shall meet annually with the County Executive or the designee of the County Executive.

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14. This Executive Order shall be archived at the Office of Law and remain in existence until altered or terminated by a subsequent Executive Order.

STEUART PITTMAN
County Executive

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Gregory J. Swain County Attorney

#### Executive Order No. 53 was modified in December 2022 to:

- (1) Amend paragraph 1 to correct the date of execution; and
- (2) amend paragraph 4(d) and (e) to allow the Senator and Delegate Members to appoint a designee to participate in their absence.

#### Executive Order No. 53 was modified in September 2023 to:

(1) Amend the ex officio members.

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