



**Zoning Ordinance Amendment**  
**Height Limits for Certain Independent Living Facilities**  
July 17, 2012

**Whereas**, on February 28, 2012, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors adopted a Zoning Ordinance Amendment (ZOA) to reduce yard requirements for Independent Living Facilities in the R-E through R-8 residential districts that are designed to look like a single-family detached dwelling; and

**Whereas**, the adopted ZOA did not reduce the maximum height of such Independent Living Facilities (ILF) and, as a result, an ILF designed to look like a single-family detached dwelling with similar setbacks could be built as high as 50 feet in the R-E through R-8 districts; and

**Whereas**, the proposed ZOA would reduce the maximum height of such ILFs to 35 feet, which is harmonious with the maximum height of single-family detached dwellings in all residential districts; and

**Whereas**, the proposed ZOA will promote greater compatibility when these certain ILFs are built in established residential neighborhoods;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the McLean Citizens Association strongly supports the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment to limit heights for certain Independent Living Facilities.

*Approved by the MCA Executive Committee*  
*Date 7/17/2012*

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