

**MCLEAN CITIZENS ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION SUPPORTING  
LIMITATION OF THROUGH TRUCKS ON GEORGETOWN PIKE**  
*(adopted by the MCA Board November 2, 2005)*

WHEREAS members of the McLean and Great Falls communities have called to the attention of the McLean Citizens Association the acute safety concerns arising from the passage of through trucks on Georgetown Pike, including the occurrence of life threatening accidents involving through trucks, and

WHEREAS Georgetown Pike is a unique residential roadway which has been preserved as a Virginia Byway in recognition of the scenic beauty of the landscape along the Pike as it follows the variable terrain along Difficult Run and the hilly terrain in the McLean and Great Falls vicinities, and

WHEREAS the winding two lane roadway of Georgetown Pike is not a safe passage for large trucks in light of the numerous sharp curves and hills and valleys as the road follows the rugged terrain and creates hazards for oncoming automobiles in the opposing traffic lane, and

WHEREAS, a Great Falls resident was nearly killed when a large tractor trailer could not physically navigate the sharp turns at Difficult Run and fishtailed causing the resident's vehicle to slide underneath the truck and be totaled; and

WHEREAS the character of such heavy truck traffic is not compatible with the affected area and careful control of such truck traffic is necessary for the safety of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS Virginia Code Section 46.2-809 authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (or the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Transportation as its designee under 24 VAC 30-580-20), upon request by a local governing body such as the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, to prohibit or restrict through truck traffic in the interests of the public health, safety or welfare of the citizens after due notice and public hearing, and

WHEREAS other roads in our area have been restricted to prohibit through trucks, such as Shreve Road in Fairfax County, which is not nearly as winding and hilly a road as Georgetown Pike.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the McLean Citizens Association urges the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Commonwealth Transportation Board to prohibit or restrict through trucks, trailers or semitrailers (but not including pickups or panel trucks) on Georgetown Pike between the Washington Beltway (I-495) and Old Dominion intersection on Georgetown Pike in furtherance of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the area for the reasons stated above and that, as a first step, it

petitions the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, to hold a public hearing upon due notice on this proposal , pursuant to 24 VAC 30-580-30.

**Proposed Distribution:**

Honorable Joan Dubois (Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Dranesville District)

Honorable Gerry Connolly (Chairman Fairfax County Board of Supervisors)

Honorable Katherine K. Hanley (Commonwealth Transportation Board)

Gregory A. Whirley (Acting Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner)

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