RESOLUTION October 26, 2010

Resolution on the FY 2012 Capital Improvement Program Budget And Amendments to the FY 2011-16 CIP

WHEREAS, in November 2010, the Montgomery County Board of Education will consider a Recommended FY 2012 Capital Budget appropriation request and an amended FY 2011–2016 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) request;

WHEREAS, the FY 2012 Capital Budget appropriation request will require the availability of sufficient funding sources from the state and county budgets, including state school construction funding;

WHEREAS, in this fiscal environment, the availability of sufficient funding is subject to significant uncertainty; and

WHEREAS, the types of projects planned in the FY 2012 Capital Budget appropriation request and the amended FY 2011-2016 Capital Improvements Program would provide critical school additions, modernizations and other improvements to provide students with safe, secure and adequate learning facilities;

THEREFORE, the MCCPTA RESOLVES:

THAT the County and the Board of Education should implement in FY 2012 the planned activities outlined in the FY 2011-16 CIP, as amended;

THAT the County and State should provide adequate funding to preserve the County's position as providing one of the premier public school systems in the nation;

THAT the State should provide school construction funding to the County in an amount at least equal to \$40 million;

THAT the County and the Board of Education should reconcile budgetary restraints in a way that does not harm the educational opportunities provided to all students and that provides all students with a safe, healthy and modern learning environment for education;

THAT MCCPTA supports prioritizing available funds to ensure that planned school additions and modernizations are not delayed; and

THAT MCCPTA further supports prioritizing available funds to county-wide programs for HVAC Replacement, Roof Replacement, Building Modifications and Program Improvements, Planned Life Cycle Asset Replacement and School Safety Improvements.