

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2008 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-25-2008
Proposed by Council Members Olson and Campos
Introduced by Council Members Olson, Campos, Dean and Bland
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction April 8, 2008

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Task Force

3 For the purpose of establishing the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Task Force to review
4 and evaluate the County's violence-prevention programs and their impact upon County youth
5 and recommend appropriate changes, including measurements of success, to ensure a well-
6 coordinated and systematic violence-prevention effort in the County.

7 WHEREAS, the County offers several programs that address the causes of youth violence
8 and provide intervention and diversion programs;

9 WHEREAS, the incidence of violent activities perpetrated by youthful participants
10 continues to be a concern in the County;

11 WHEREAS, the Joint County Gang Prevention Task Force Final Report and Executive
12 Summary from September 2004 included several recommendations to address gang violence;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Section 506 of the Charter provides that the Council may appoint, for
15 designated periods, one or more temporary advisory boards of citizens of the County who shall
16 assist in the consideration of County policies and programs.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
18 County, Maryland, that the Youth and Gang Violence Task Force is hereby established to review
19 and evaluate the County's violence-prevention programs and their impact upon County youth,
20 recommend appropriate changes to ensure a well-coordinated and systematic violence-
21 prevention effort in the County, and reduce recidivism by youthful offenders.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Task Force

1 shall be composed of 26 members:

- 2 1. The Chairman of the County Council or the Chairman's representative, who shall
- 3 serve as the presiding officer;
- 4 2. A member of the County Council, who shall serve as the presiding officer in the
- 5 absence of the presiding officer;
- 6 3. A representative of the County Executive;
- 7 4. A member of the Board of Education of Prince George's County;
- 8 5. A representative of the County Police Department;
- 9 6. A representative of the Sheriff;
- 10 7. A representative from M-NCPPC Department of Parks and Recreation;
- 11 8. A representative from the Prince George's County Youth Commission;
- 12 9. A representative from the Prince George's County School System;
- 13 10. A representative from the Office of the State's Attorney;
- 14 11. A representative from the Department of Corrections;
- 15 12. A representative from the Department of Health;
- 16 13. A representative from the University of Maryland/Department of Criminology and
- 17 Criminal Justice;
- 18 14. A representative from the Department of Family Services;
- 19 15. A representative from the Department of Social Services; and
- 20 16. Eleven (11) leaders from the non-profit or civic community who operate youth
- 21 violence prevention programs, who shall be selected by the Chairman of the County
- 22 Council.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Task Force
 24 shall present its evaluation and recommendations to the County Council on or before September
 25 30, 2008.

26 BE IT FUTURE RESOLVED that the Council Administrator shall assign appropriate
 27 technical and administrative personnel to assist the Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Task
 28 Force in its work.

Adopted this 22nd day of April , 2008.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Samuel H. Dean
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council