CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND RESOLUTION 2017-SUPPORTING HB 257 (SB 359) – MARYLAND MEALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT FOR TEENS ACT OF 2017; HB 287 (SB 361) – HUNGER-FREE SCHOOLS ACT OF 2017; AND HB 288 (SB 360) – FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR STUDENTS FROM LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME FAMILIES ACT

- WHEREAS, HB 257 (SB 359) would enable more high school students to have a nutritious breakfast at school by allowing it to be served in any part of the school, including from grab and go carts; and
- WHEREAS, HB 287 (SB 361) would extend to 2022 a provision that enables certain high-poverty schools to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students, rather than only to those who would be eligible based on household applications for free and reduced price meals; and
- WHEREAS, with passage of HB 288 (SB 360), the State would pay the student's portion of a reduced price meal, thus allowing those students to have free meals; and
- WHEREAS, each of these bills would increase the number of Maryland students who receive free breakfast and lunch at school; and
- WHEREAS, many Takoma Park students could benefit from one or more of these provisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND supports adoption of HB 257 (SB 359), HB 287 (SB 361), and HB 288 (SB 360).

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC City Clerk