

## PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER AS MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WORKS MONTH

- WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park is one of 157 Maryland municipalities; and
- **WHEREAS,** municipal government represents the most responsive level of government, allowing residents to have direct access to their elected officials; and
- **WHEREAS,** municipalities enhance the quality of life for their residents by providing various services tailored to the particular needs and desires of the community; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park maintains municipal facilities, streets, sidewalks, parks, natural areas, collects refuse and recycling, clears snow and leaves, manages stormwater facilities, protects tenants through rent stabilization and other laws, provides recreation classes and programs, maintains a full service municipal library and a full service police department; and
- WHEREAS, municipal staff provide expertise and champion community goals, as recently evidenced by the remarkable work of Ms. Daryl Braithwaite, Director of Public Works, in moving the City towards conversion of its streetlights to LED, thus saving taxpayer money and helping the City take its most significant step ever against Climate Change; and
- **WHEREAS,** in an effort to educate residents about municipal government and the importance of active and informed participation by residents, the City of Takoma Park is proud to promote municipal government awareness; and
- **WHEREAS,** municipalities help to make Maryland a great place to live, work, play and explore.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**, on behalf of the City Council, staff, and residents, do hereby join the Maryland Municipal League in proclaiming November to be Municipal Government Works Month in the City of Takoma Park.

## Dated this 7th day of November, 2018.