



City of Takoma Park, Maryland Mayoral Proclamation

25th Anniversary of Takoma Park Unification

WHEREAS, until 1997, the City of Takoma Park was incorporated within both Prince George's County and Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, residents and city officials were challenged by transacting business with two county governments, two different county court systems, navigating different zoning, licensing, and permitting requirements depending on which county a property was located within, two county school systems, and numerous other bi-county differences; and

WHEREAS, after more than 15 years of lobbying and organizing by residents and city officials, Maryland House Bill 1090, passed in 1994, authorized a referendum to take place on November 7, 1995 to allow Takoma Park voters in each county to determine whether they wished to alter the boundaries of the two counties to place all of Takoma Park within one county; and

WHEREAS, in November 1995 the residents of Takoma Park voted 2,382 to 272 to unify into Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, twenty-five years ago, on of July 1, 1997, the county boundaries were amended so that all of Takoma Park would be within Montgomery County.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE STEWART, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, hereby recognize and proclaim the 25th Anniversary of Takoma Park Unification; and

I FURTHER PROCLAIM our gratitude for the many residents, elected officials, and staff who worked tirelessly towards the goal of One City, One County.

Dated this 1st day of July, 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kate Stewart", is written over a horizontal line.

Kate Stewart
Mayor