CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2011-30

APPOINTING THE TAKOMA PARK POET LAUREATE

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park Poet Laureate program was established in May 2005 as a means of honoring the achievement of a local poet, while encouraging young and old to strive for greater expressive abilities and creating a wider appreciation of poetry and literature; and

WHEREAS, a poet laureate is a symbol of the important role the arts play in our civic life and creative expression and can be a source of pride and public pleasure for all Takoma Park residents.

WHEREAS, the Arts and Humanities Commission has forwarded for Council approval, its recommendation for the appointment of Mr. Merrill Leffler, a respected poet and a resident of Ward 3, as Takoma Park's Poet Laureate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Takoma Park hereby appoints Mr. Merrill Leffler as Takoma Park Poet Laureate for a two-year period beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2013.

Adopted this 13th day of June, 2011.

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk