WHEREAS, the City Council included $5,000 in the Fiscal Year 2017 budget for the purpose of creating a scholarship award for current and future college students; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is aware of the financial needs of many students who attend Montgomery College’s Takoma Park-Silver Spring campus; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has established the following scholarship award criteria:

- Student qualifies for financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Student resides in Takoma Park (student does not have to be a U. S. citizen).

WHEREAS, in addition to the criteria above, when considering eligibility for the scholarship awards, preference will be given to:

- Students in the Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) program ([http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/EDU/Department.aspx?id=54902](http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/EDU/Department.aspx?id=54902)).
- Students who have a minimum GPA of 2.5; and

WHEREAS, the $5,000 will be used to provide five $1,000 scholarships to five Montgomery College students; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery College has agreed to administer the funds based on the scholarship award criteria and preferences and provide the City with the names and contact information of the student awardees so they can be recognized by the Council.

WHEREAS, Montgomery College has agreed to communicate to scholarship winners that the City is the source of the scholarship funding.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Takoma Park authorizes the distribution of $5,000 to Montgomery College to be used to provide five $1,000
scholarships to students meeting the established scholarship award preferences.

Adopted this 18th day of January, 2017.

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk