

ORDINANCE NO. ORD-2024-2A

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A CONSERVATION  
EASEMENT UNDER THE MARYLAND RURAL LEGACY PROGRAM  
(Re: *Wright RLP Conservation Easement*)**

RECITALS

1. The Maryland Rural Legacy Program ("RLP") provides the funding necessary to protect large, contiguous tracts of land and other strategic areas from sprawl development and to enhance natural resource, agricultural, forestry, and environmental protection through cooperative efforts among State and local governments.
2. Protection is provided through the acquisition of easements and fee estates from willing landowners and the supporting activities of Rural Legacy Sponsors and local governments.
3. For FY 2024, Washington County (the "County") was awarded a RLP grant totaling \$3,127,000.00 (the "RLP Funds").
4. Samuel P. and Dana Moylan Wright (the "Property Owners") are the fee simple owners of real property consisting of 49.542 acres, more or less (the "Property"), in Washington County, Maryland. The Property is more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto.
5. The County has agreed to pay the sum of approximately ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS AND SIXTY CENTS (\$184,459.60), which is a portion of the RLP Funds, to the Property Owners for a Deed of Conservation Easement on the Property (the "Wright RLP Conservation Easement").

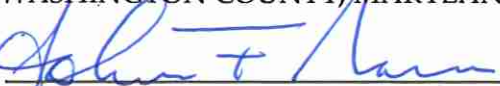
THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the purchase of a conservation easement on the Property be approved and that the President of the Board and the County Attorney be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, all such documents for and on behalf of the County relating to the purchase of the Wright RLP Conservation Easement.

ADOPTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2024.

ATTEST:

  
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Dawn L. Marcus, County Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:   
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John F. Barr, President

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

Aaron Weiss

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Assistant County Attorney

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## EXHIBIT A - DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

ALL those two lots or parcels of land, and all the rights, ways, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situate in Election District No. 20, Washington County, Maryland, and being more particularly described as follows:

PARCEL NO. 1: BEING shown and designated as "Lot 1" on the Plat entitled "Combined Preliminary and Final Plat of Lot 1 Karen A. Wright" recorded at Plat Folio 5587 among the Plat Records of Washinton County, Maryland; containing in the aggregate 15.413 acres of land, more or less; the street address of which is currently known and designated as 15544 Dellinger Road, Williamsport, Maryland and further identified as tax account no. 20-01183.

PARCEL NO. 2: BEING shown and designated as "Remaining Lands of Peter & Karen Wright" on the above referenced Wright Plat Folio 5587, containing in the aggregate 34.18 acres of land, more or less; the street address of which is currently known and designated as 0 (no street number assigned) Dellinger Road, Williamsport, Maryland, and further identified as tax account no. 20-007095.

BEING all of the property which was conveyed from Samuel P. Wright and Julia I. Wright to Samuel P. Wright and Dana Moylan Wright, as tenants by the entireties, and Peter Rolfe Wright and Karen Ann Wright, life tenants, by Deed dated June 8, 2012, and recorded in Liber 4303, Folio 462 among the Land Records of Washington County, Maryland.