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December 4, 2016

Dear Mayor Ashman and Council Members,

As citizens of Gaithersburg, we are writing to strongly endorse Laurie-Anne Sayles for the vacant Council seat. We believe that Laurie-Anne shares our ideals of a safe, educated, and diverse community that cares for each other and that she would bring another respected voice to city government.

Laurie-Anne understands that our City has families at all levels of income and genuinely wants to help individuals and families attain all they are capable of achieving.

She has served as the Gaithersburg representative on the Montgomery County Community Action Board which advocates for the less fortunate in our community. In fact, Janet first met her at one of the many City events held at the Bohrer Park Activity Center where Janet was manning a table for Gaithersburg HELP. Laurie-Anne was interested and appreciative of HELP's mission to serve the low-income families in our community.

We are great believers in public education and while we don't have children, the local schools are a source of pride for us. Our school system attracts many people to live and work in our city. With a child of her own, education is a high priority for Laurie-Anne, having previously served on the Gaithersburg Education Enrichment Committee and the PTA.

We are also proud of living in a city where the government not only cares for our citizens, but does so in a fiscally responsible way. We believe that Laurie-Anne shares our desire to maintain a surplus in the city budget, while keeping taxes reasonable for our citizens. She is also actively working to sustain our small businesses and attract new ones to Gaithersburg as a member of the City's Economic and Business Development Committee.

Her professional role as a scientific communications editor for the National Cancer Institute is well-aligned with the local economy where the National Institute of Standards and Technology (where Dan works) and MedImmune are major employers. We believe that her first-hand knowledge of the role that scientific advances play in improving the quality of life of all of us would be very valuable on the Council.

In summary, we believe that Laurie-Anne shares our values and those of our fellow citizens. She would add another constructive voice to Council deliberations. We would be proud to have her represent us.

Respectfully,
Janet and Dan Neumann
211 E Deer Park Drive



Mark P. Sroka
Chief of Police

GAITHERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT



November 16, 2016

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Committee Reappointment

Doug Wagner
37 S Summit Ave
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Dear Mr. Wagner:

Your term on the Police Advisory Committee will be expiring soon. On behalf of the entire community I would like to express appreciation for your commitment to serving our City in this capacity. Our Boards, Commissions, and Committees perform vital functions in a variety of areas, and we recognize and value your contribution very much.

Our appointment policy requires that all volunteer positions be advertised to provide the public with an opportunity to apply. In the near future, we will be evaluating the requests to fill the vacancies on the Police Advisory Committee, and appointments will be made by the Mayor and City Council soon thereafter.

If you would like to be considered for reappointment or if you no longer wish to serve on Police Advisory Committee, please indicate by signing below and returning this letter within 30 days of the printed date.

Again thank you for your commitment to the City of Gaithersburg. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Officer Dan Lane at (301) 258-6168 or at dlane@gaithersburgmd.gov

Sincerely,

Chief of Police, Mark P. Sroka
Police Advisory Committee

Please check box:

I would / I would not like to be reappointed to the Police Advisory Committee.

DOUGLASS H. WAGNER
Name

Dec. 2, 2016
Date

