

STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Michael Mallinoff, City Manager

Date: April 24, 2024

Subject: R-23-24: Emergency Management & Public Safety

Purpose of legislation

The purpose of this legislation is to recognize April as Maryland Flood Awareness Month and the efforts that City of Annapolis public safety experts make each year, both personally and professionally, to protect our residents from flooding and other natural emergencies.

Impact of legislation on operations

This resolution will not have a direct impact on operations.

Impact of legislation on staffing

The City is pleased to support this resolution and is very proud of the work City staff has done to address flooding issues. The City recently achieved a rating of 7 in FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System, which will allow Annapolis residents to save up to 15% on flood insurance for their home or business. Many staff across the entire City contributed to that achievement. The City is experimenting with new flood control measures to deal with current flooding events, and our Public Safety, Emergency Management, and Public Works staff work hard to warn residents of upcoming flooding events and mitigate their worst effects. And of course the City has long-term commitments to such as the City Dock project to address the effects of climate change. To all of the many staff that have helped with all of these projects and more, thank you!

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