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October 28, 2015

Tara Hargadon
City of Annapolis
160 Duke of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Ms. Hargadon:

The Honoree Committee is submitting the Concerned Muslims of Annapolis to receive the Martha Wood Leadership Award for November, 2015. The Group was selected based upon many years of excellent community service to residents of the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis.

Several years ago, the Concerned Muslims of Annapolis, along with the deceased Reverend Callie Matthews, then Minister of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church of Eastport, held prayer vigils with residents following a violent act in the Harbour House Community. The Concerned Muslims of Annapolis also donated annually to the Robinwood Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets, from which Thanksgiving Dinner Goods are assembled and distributed to families within the Robinwood Community.

In addition, the Group operated a Program entitled "Health Tours for Youth" for 3 school years at the Annapolis Middle School. Members of Concerned Muslims of Annapolis coordinated this Program by which 10 – 15 students monthly would visit various units within the Anne Arundel Medical Center and learn the duties of that Hospital Unit. The Tour would give students a glimpse into a career in the health care industry either as a physician, nurse, therapist, technician, etc… The middle school children who participated in this Program were residents of the housing communities served by Annapolis Middle School.

For successful efforts in serving the residents of the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis, it is with pleasure that the Honoree Committee has selected the Concerned Muslims of Annapolis as the fifty-eighth recipient of the prestigious Martha Wood Leadership Award.

Sincerely,

The Honoree Committee