



Legislation Text

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Proposed Greenbury Point Conservation Area Golf Course - For the purpose of expressing the Annapolis City Council's opposition to the development of Greenbury Point Conservation Area into a golf course.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Resolution 55-22

**Introduced by: Alderman Savidge
Co-Sponsored by: Ald. Tierney**

A **RESOLUTION** expressing the Annapolis City Council's opposition to the development of Greenbury Point Conservation Area into a golf course.

Proposed Greenbury Point Conservation Area Golf Course

FOR the purpose of expressing the Annapolis City Council's opposition to the development of Greenbury Point Conservation Area into a golf course.

WHEREAS, Greenbury Point Conservation Area is located in Anne Arundel County and in the viewshed of the Annapolis National Historic Landmark District; and

WHEREAS, Greenbury Point Conservation Area represents a substantial portion of the land at Greenbury Point owned by the United States of America and managed by the Department of the Navy; and

WHEREAS, The land represented by Greenbury Point Conservation Area is included as a portion of the total land owned by the United States of America and considered to be 'publicly held'; and

WHEREAS, Greenbury Point Conservation Area has been managed for its natural resources, wildlife habitat and recreational trails under the designation of "conservation area" by the Department of the Navy since 1999; and

WHEREAS, Each year, tens of thousands of Annapolis residents and visitors enjoy the natural setting and views of the Chesapeake Bay and use the public recreational trails located at Greenbury Point Conservation Area; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense is a signatory of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement and the Clean Water Act require states and local

jurisdictions to make substantial reductions in sediment and pollution runoff into streams and into the Chesapeake Bay, subject to federal enforcement; and

WHEREAS, The City of Annapolis, through taxpayer support, has invested millions of dollars to reduce pollution and sediment runoff into the Severn River and the Chesapeake Bay as a part of its commitment to meet the water quality improvement goals of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The development of Greenbury Point Conservation Area into a golf course would inevitably result in reduced tree cover, loss of wetlands, increased pollution and sediment loads into the Chesapeake Bay, and reduced public access to nature and recreational trails;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the City Council is opposed to the development of Greenbury Point Conservation Area into a golf course.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the City Council would support proposals to permanently conserve the natural resources contained within Greenbury Point Conservation Area and to maintain public access to these resources for recreation and enjoyment.

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that a copy of the Resolution be sent to Maryland's Congressional delegation, Naval Support Activity (NSA) Annapolis, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Washington (NAVFAC Washington), and the Naval Academy Golf Association.

EXPLANATION

CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments.