

ATTACHMENT A



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Honorable Ken Ulman
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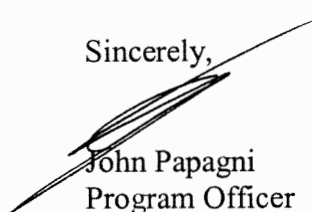
Dear Mr. Ulman:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the application of the Howard County for the Ellicott City historic district to become a State of Maryland *Designated Neighborhood* has been approved effective February 17, 2010. The area as shown on the map provided with the Resolution is approved as the Ellicott City Designated Neighborhood.

Designated Neighborhood status may allow small businesses in Ellicott City access to the Neighborhood BusinessWorks program which provides flexible financing for small business renovation and expansion. For more information regarding this program, please contact Ms. Dawn Medley, Director of Business Lending in the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Division of Neighborhood at (410) 514-7237. For general questions regarding *Designated Neighborhood* status, please contact me in the Division of Neighborhood Revitalization at (410) 209-5807.

Again, congratulations on your application. Best wishes for success with your future revitalization efforts.

Sincerely,



John Papagni
Program Officer

CC: Hon. Courtney Watson, Howard County Council, District 1
Mr. Stephen Lafferty, Howard County Planning and Zoning

