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COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT & REPAIR FUND ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND (THE "BOARD"), GOVERNING BODY OF GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND (THE "COUNTY"), A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND (THE "STATE"), FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A FUND (THE "FUND") FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE COMMUNITIES AS DETERMINED BY THE OFFICE OF SOCIAL EQUITY OF THE STATE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE TO HAVE BEEN MOST IMPACTED BY DISPROPORTIONATE ENFORCEMENT OF THE CANNABIS PROHIBITION, BY AMENDING SECTION 37 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND, THE SAME BEING ARTICLE 12 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF THE STATE (THE "COUNTY CODE") AND ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 37.060.

EXPLANATION

The Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County, Maryland desires to establish a Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund ("the Fund") in accordance with the authority granted to it by the provisions of the Alcoholic Beverage Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland §1-322 (9)(b)(1) (the "State Code") by amending Section 37 of the County Code by adding a new Section 37.060 establishing the Fund, its purpose and its implementation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND, as follows:

1. The Explanation set forth above is incorporated as a substantive provision of this Ordinance.
2. There is created a Fund with the purpose of funding community-based initiatives intended to benefit low-income communities; and funding community-based initiatives that serve disproportionately impacted areas, as defined in Section 36-101 of the Article.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, or the designated agency, shall solicit written requests for projects that meet the requirements of the State Code, Alcohol Beverage, § 1-322 (a)(6)(i), and award funding based on the established legislative requirements.
4. The recipient of any Fund shall submit a report to the Board of County Commissioners by November 1st of each year on how the funds were spent during the preceding fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Ordinance shall take effect the 20th day of August, 2024.

PASSED this 20th day of August, 2024.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
GARRETT COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman

ATTEST:

RYAN S. SAVAGE, Commissioner

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County Administrator

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