

ORDINANCE NO. ORD-2018-04

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A CONSERVATION
EASEMENT UNDER THE MARYLAND CONSERVATION RESERVE
ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)**

(Re: Jarmy CREP Easement)

RECITALS

1. The Maryland Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program ("CREP") is a federal-State natural resources conservation program that addresses state and nationally significant agricultural related environmental concerns related to agriculture.

2. CREP provides financial incentives to program participants to voluntarily remove cropland and marginal pastureland from agricultural production in order to improve, protect, and enhance water quality in the Chesapeake Bay watershed and replacing it with the best management practices including establishment of riparian buffers, grass plantings, forbs, shrubs and trees, stabilization of highly erodible soils, habitat restoration for plant and animal species, and restoration of wetlands.

3. Protection is provided through the acquisition of easements and fee estates from willing landowners currently holding a fifteen (15) year CREP contract and the supporting activities of CREP Sponsors and local governments.

4. For FY2018, the State of Maryland ("State") is awarding CREP grants to eligible Counties (the "CREP Funds").

5. Imre and Linda Jarmy are the owners of real property consisting of 12.981 acres, more or less, (the "Property") in Washington County, Maryland. The Property is more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto.

6. The County has agreed to pay the approximate sum of TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS AND TWENTY-SIX CENTS (\$28,540.26), which is a portion of the CREP Funds, to the Property Owner for a Deed of Conservation Easement on the Property (the "Jarmy CREP Easement").

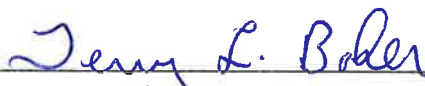
THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland that the purchase of the Jarmy CREP Easement is approved and that the President of the Board and the County Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, all such documents for and on behalf of the County relating to the purchase of the Jarmy CREP Easement.

ADOPTED this 6th day of February, 2018.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND


Vicki C. Lumm, Clerk

BY: 
Terry L. Baker, President

Approved as to legal sufficiency:


John M. Martirano
County Attorney

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EXHIBIT A--DESCRIPTION OF EASEMENT AREA

All those tracts, lots, or parcels of land, and all the rights, ways, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situate in Election District No. 19, Washington County, Maryland, being part of the property identified by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation as tax account no. 19-002616, and being indicated as "CREP CONTRACT EASEMENT AREA", "CREP MATCH EASEMENT AREA," and "ADDITIONAL EASEMENT AREA," on the plat prepared by Frederick Seibert & Associates, Inc., dated November 13, 2017, and entitled "BOUNDARY & EASEMENT SURVEY CREP EASEMENT FOR IMRE & LINDA JARMY," recorded on November 22, 2017 as Miscellaneous Plat Number 717 among the Plat Records of Washington County, Maryland.

BEING part of the same property which was conveyed from Imre T. Jarmy to Imre T. Jarmy and Linda A. Jarmy, his wife, by Deed dated December 6, 2012 and recorded in Liber 4432, folio 79 among the Land Records of Washington County, Maryland.