

INTELLECTUAL & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMISSION

April 2, 2024

The Honorable Montgomery County Councilmembers Council Office Building 100 Maryland Avenue Rockville, Maryland 20850

Dear Councilmembers:

I am writing on behalf of the Montgomery County Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Commission. The Commission supports fully funding the DD-Supplement for FY25. The InterACC/DD requested a 4.5% increase to the supplement. The FY25 County Executive Operational budget is proposing a 3% increase to the supplement. The 4.5% increase consists of two factors: 3.2% of the 4.5% factor is a COLA increase to maintain pace with the increase in the Montgomery County minimum wage. The remaining 1.3% increase is to address program growth. The program growth is defined as the number of people with disabilities receiving services and an increase in support hours by Direct Support Professionals.

With support from the County Council, the FY24 DD-Supplement was \$21,062,172. The request for FY25 is \$22,009,972. The FY25 County Executive operation budget has proposed \$21,694,037. In order for the DD-Supplement to be fully funded, additional funding in the amount of \$315,933 would be needed.

Thank you for your years of support for the much-needed supplement, and we urge a positive response to our recommendation.

Sincerely,

Michael Greenberg

Chair

Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Commission