April 9, 2024

The Honorable Andrew Friedson Montgomery County Council Council Office Building 100 Maryland Avenue, 6th Floor. Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Council President Friedson,

I'm writing to express my support for Montgomery Community Media (MCM) as a needed resource in our community. The Montgomery County Council should continue its funding and support of MCM and the programs it provides.

I have been a volunteer with MCM since the year 2000. I have taken all the classes MCM offers, except for the podcast class. I have enjoyed the camaraderie with fellow volunteers and staff at MCM. I have watched productions blossom and seen the creativity of those who produce shows and the volunteer technicians who work with them in the studio. Currently, I am working on two productions (Grace, Growth & Gratitude and Project 2020) to inform the community of events that have happened. I appreciate MCM because of the quality and experience it provides me as a volunteer. MCM gives me and others a way to express our ideas, creativity, and concerns in our community.

MCM allows us to make a contribution to our local community by providing training and outlets for creators of original content, local news, information and programs that are relevant to our county residents.

I sincerely urge you and other Council Members to continue to provide funding for MCM as a vital part of our community in the expression of our views. Thank you.

Sincerely,

India Soodoo