

**Town of Hampstead  
Resolution 2023-02**

A RESOLUTION of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hampstead asking the Board of Carroll County Commissioners to allocate space at the site of the Old Robert Moton High School for a Museum.

WHEREAS, prior to desegregation of public schools in Carroll County, Maryland, students then referred to as colored could only receive a high school education at the Robert Moton High School, originally located in the 1930s at the intersection of Charles and Church Streets in Westminster, and subsequently relocated to a site on South Center Street in 1948; and continued to operate as a segregated school until 1965; and

WHEREAS, the site of the former Robert Moton High School is now in use by the Carroll County Commissioners as offices for various government agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Robert Moton High Schools has an important place in the history of Carroll County and the African American community; and

WHEREAS, the Robert Moton High School gave an education to many people in Carroll County who have made an important and lasting contribution to our community, including one of the area's best-known citizens, former Maryland State Treasurer and member of the Maryland House of Delegates Richard N. Dixon, and

WHEREAS, the Former Students and Friends of Robert Moton High School, Inc. was established more than 50 years ago in 1972, by the alumni of Robert Moton High School in recognition of the importance of the education they received, and the extraordinary sense of community created amongst those who attended the school; and

WHEREAS, the Former Students and Friends of Robert Moton High School, Inc. has asked the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County to allocate a portion of the site as space for a museum of African American History in Carroll County; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hampstead consider this an appropriate and fitting use for the historic site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hampstead that we support the request of the Former Students and Friends of Robert Moton High School, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County.

Be it further resolved that this resolution shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 by a vote of \_\_\_ Council members in favor, \_\_\_ Council members opposed, and \_\_\_ abstentions.

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MAYOR

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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL