

EXHIBIT NO. 1

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1-26-02

City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: JANUARY 16, 2002
TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL
FROM: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*
SUBJECT: DEFERRAL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED NAME
CHANGE FOR THE BLACK HISTORY RESOURCE CENTER

To ensure sufficient community input regarding the proposed name change for the Black History Resource Center, I am deferring the public hearing on this item. The public hearing was to be held on January 26, 2002.

Staff will hold an informational meeting for citizens regarding the proposed name change on Monday, January 21, 2002, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Center's Parker Gray Gallery, and we will inform citizens of the deferral at that time. Staff will continue to meet with citizens to provide ample opportunity for comment prior to docketing this item for further consideration.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

cc: Jean Federico, Director, Office of Historic Alexandria
Louis Hicks, Director, Black History Resource Center

EXHIBIT NO. 2January 25, 2002 $\frac{9}{1-26-02}$

Dear Mayor Donley, Via Mayor Cleveland
Councilwomen Eberwein, Pepper and Woodson
and Councilmen Einkle and Speck,

As an artist living and working
in the City of Alexandria, and a recipient
of an Alexandria Commission for the Arts
grant for 1999, I am writing to support
the name change proposed now before you
for "The Alexandria Museum of African
American Culture" from the "Alexandria
Black History Resource Center." The new,
proposed name suggests a certain
gravitas and relevance to the
prominence and dignity of the
facility without compromising its
significance to local history and community.

Sincerely

Mary Joil McMillian
530 North Columbus St
Alexandria, Virginia
22314

The Alexandria Black History Resource Center is committed to collecting, preserving and interpreting the African American history and culture of Alexandria, Virginia and to assessing its impact on the greater metropolitan area.



*photo front page:
On North Columbus Street, 1994*

*photo back page:
I Wish I Could Fly Away / Like a Bird up in the Sky, 1997*

Mary Noël McMillian



On North Columbus Street: *Looking for Home*

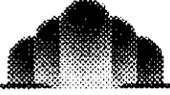
black & white photo exhibition
October 23, 2001 - January 10, 2002

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Lori Godwin
01/23/02 06:30 PM

To: Beverly I Jett/Alex@Alex
cc: Audrey Davis/Alex@Alex, Louis Hicks/Alex@Alex
Subject: Museum

Bev,
Can you forward to Council?
Lori

----- Forwarded by Lori Godwin/Alex on 01/23/2002 06:38 PM -----



Audrey Davis
01/23/2002 03:12 PM

To: Lori Godwin/Alex@Alex, Jean Federico/Alex@Alex, Lillian
Patterson/Alex@Alex, Louis Hicks/Alex@Alex
cc:
Subject: Museum

Dear Jean, Lori, Louis and Lillian:

I have been asked to forward this note at the request of Char M. Bah, one of the Alexandria Black History Resource Center's volunteers.

Audrey

----- Forwarded by Audrey Davis/Alex on 01/23/2002 03:00 PM -----



Char.Bah@mail.va.gov
01/23/2002 02:44 PM

To: Audrey Davis@Alex
cc:
Subject: Museum

Audrey,

I have been having serious problems with my e-mail and telephone services so I am sending this note to you to share with the City Council.

As a member of the Task Force for the Alexandria Black History Resource Center our group voted last year to change the ABHRC's name to including museum. By changing the name, the ABHRC would be represented to the public as a museum and not what people have assumed the Center to be as a resource place. The Task Force was made up of many citizens of the Alexandria Black community and we hope no other delays are needed to assume the new name for ABHRC.

Thanks!

Char McCargo Bah, genealogist