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RESOLUTION REGARDING
THE BANNING OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND

WHEREAS, the Town of Washington Grove believes we should support all municipalities and communities in Maryland in their initiatives to provide for a safe and healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, the hydraulic fracturing (fracking) for natural gas involves the use of chemicals and hazardous materials during construction, drilling, hydraulic fracturing, gas production and delivery, well maintenance, and workover operations; and

WHEREAS, the pollution of water and other possible environmental threats caused by fracking threatens the long term economic well being of communities, as businesses and consumers depend on clean drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the wise stewardship of our natural resources involves protection of the Town of Washington Grove's water supplies, which come from the Potomac River and downriver from proposed fracking sites; and

WHEREAS, protection of the Town of Washington Grove's water supplies, resources and related watersheds is better accomplished by prevention of contamination and environmental degradation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on the 12th day of November 2012, the Town Council of the Town of Washington Grove supports a statewide ban on fracking until the appropriate health and environmental studies currently underway by the State of Maryland are completed;

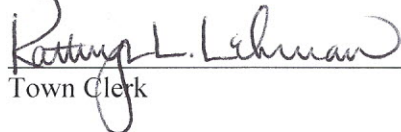
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Washington Grove will forward this resolution to our State Representatives.

Approved by Mayor and Town Council:



Mayor Date

Attest:



Town Clerk Date