

*Maryland if the same is necessary to effectuate the purpose of the Trust and subject to termination by the General Assembly when and if its substantial purpose ceases.*

40A-3.

*The powers and duties of the Trust shall vest in and be exercised by a body of fifteen TWELVE Trustees. The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County and two other members of the Board selected by the Board shall be by virtue of their offices three of the Trustees with the same powers and duties as the other trustees as hereafter set forth. The three ex-officio trustees may delegate from time to time any or all of their powers or duties to an authorized representative, the Chairman's representative to be the Administrative Assistant to the Board and the representatives of the other two members of the Board to be any administrative officer of the county government who are designated by the Board. The remaining twelve trustees WHO shall be initially appointed by the Board of County Commissioners as follows: three members for terms of one year each; three members for terms of two years each; three members for terms of three years each; and three members for terms of four years each. As the terms of the appointed Trustees expire, their successors shall be elected by a majority vote of a quorum of the Trustees for a term of four years and thereafter these positions shall be so filled. In the event that a Trustee for any reason fails to serve or to complete any appointed or elected term, a successor shall be elected by a majority vote of a quorum of the Trustees for the remainder of such term. Selection of Trustees whether by delegation, appointment or election should be such as to obtain a geographical distribution of Trustees throughout Prince George's County insofar as is practicable and consistent with the purpose of the Trust.*

40A-4.

*The Trustees shall serve without compensation.*

40A-5.

(a) *The Trustees shall have the following powers and duties:*

(b) *To acquire, preserve and maintain historic, aesthetic and cultural properties, buildings, fixtures, furnishings and appurtenances pertaining in any way to Prince George's County from earliest times, to encourage others to do so and to promote interest in and study of such matters.*

(c) *To acquire and hold real and personal property of historic, aesthetic or cultural significance, by gift, purchase, devise, bequest, or by any other means and to preserve and administer such properties; to charge reasonable admission fees to such properties and to determine which of such properties are deserving of county financial aid. In the acquisition of such properties, to acquire property adjacent thereto deemed necessary for the proper use and administration of historic, aesthetic or cultural property.*

(d) *To accept gifts, legacies, bequests and endowments for any purpose which falls within that of the Trust and unless otherwise*