

# Regular Meeting

<b>Agenda Item #</b>	3
<b>Meeting Date</b>	February 11, 2008
<b>Prepared By</b>	Suzanne Ludlow, Deputy City Manager
<b>Approved By</b>	Barbara B. Matthews, City Manager

<b>Discussion Item</b>	Resolution Offering Condolences to the Family and Friends of Marilyn Praisner
<b>Background</b>	Marilyn Praisner served on the Board of Education from 1982 to 1990 and on the Montgomery County Council from 1990. Mrs. Praisner was known for her work on budget and telecommunication issues. She worked closely with officials from many counties and municipalities, and was an effective champion of interjurisdictional cooperation. The Takoma Park community was saddened to learn of her sudden death on February 1, 2008.
<b>Policy</b>	The City Council honors those who have served the Takoma Park community and offers condolences to friends and families upon their passing.
<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	n/a
<b>Attachments</b>	Draft resolution.
<b>Recommendation</b>	Approve resolution.
<b>Special Consideration</b>	

Introduced by:

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND  
RESOLUTION 2008-**

**Offering Condolences to the Family and Friends of The Honorable Marilyn Praisner**

WHEREAS, Marilyn J. Praisner ably served Montgomery County as a member of the Board of Education for eight years and then as a member of the County Council since 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Praisner was an outstanding leader on the Council, known both for her attention to financial details as well as her commitment to regional approaches to issues; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Praisner was a powerful national advocate for consumers on technology and telecommunications issues, including public safety communications and cable television; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Praisner strongly and persistently protected the interests of Montgomery County's residents regarding the quality of service by cable television companies; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Praisner served for four terms as the Chair of the Management and Fiscal Policy Committee, which among other responsibilities oversaw the municipal tax duplication formulas and payments; and

WHEREAS, despite her formidable presence at the dais when discussing policy and budget matters, Mrs. Praisner was a genuinely nice and caring person, and was always ready to laugh with colleagues or cheer on her favorite sport teams; and

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park community was deeply saddened to learn of her sudden death on February 1, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT on behalf of the City Council, staff and residents, we do hereby offer our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Marilyn Praisner.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2008.

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Bruce R. Williams, Mayor