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RESOLUTION NUMBER 2085

A RESOLUTION REGARDING "BLACK LIVES MATTER" IN THE CITY OF GREENBELT

WHEREAS, issues of systemic racism continue to plague the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the murders of African-American men and women by police officers in various cities across the nation have raised awareness of racism and illuminated deep-seated fears within our communities; and

WHEREAS, we cannot ignore the widening gap of trust between the people who work in law enforcement and many in the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, closing this gap requires that we address the underlying inequities that continue to divide working people in our country along racial and economic lines; and

WHEREAS, the City's Community Pledge is designed to strengthen the diversity and celebration of all people, to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that **Black Lives Matter**, in Greenbelt, in Maryland, in the United States of America, and all around the globe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of June 8, 2020.

Colin A. Byrd

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ATTEST:

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk