

HJ4 – Locating the New Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters in Maryland

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Carrington & Associates, LLC, requests a FAVORABLE report for HJ4. This joint resolution urges the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) to select for the new Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) headquarters one of the two finalist sites located in Maryland.

I am writing this testimony to express my strong support for the decision to locate the new Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) headquarters in Maryland, specifically in Prince George's County. As the General Services Administration (GSA) considers this important decision, I want to remind them of the commitment President Joe Biden has made to equity and inclusion for all communities, particularly those that have historically been underserved and underrepresented.

Prince George's County is a diverse and dynamic community that is home to a large population of African American, Hispanic, and Asian American residents. Despite the county's many strengths, it has faced significant economic and social challenges over the years, including high levels of poverty, unemployment, and crime. By choosing to locate the new FBI headquarters in the County, GSA has an opportunity to help address these challenges and promote greater equity and opportunity for all.

I am particularly impressed with the many advantages that Prince George's County offers as a location for the new FBI headquarters. The area is strategically located near major transportation hubs, making it easy for FBI personnel to access the facility quickly and efficiently.

Additionally, the area offers a range of amenities that will make it an attractive place to work and live, including high-quality schools, parks, and recreational opportunities.

6007 Hillmeade Road, Bowie, MD 20720 Cell 732.763.7398 Fax 732.763.7398 darrell.carrington@verizon.net But perhaps most importantly, Prince George's County has a strong and engaged community that is committed to working with the FBI to promote public safety and security. By choosing to locate the new FBI headquarters in Prince George's County, you will send a powerful message that this community is valued and respected, and that its residents have the talent, skills, and expertise to contribute to the FBI's important work.

In conclusion, I urge GSA to keep the commitments made by President Biden for equity and inclusion in mind as you consider the location of the new FBI headquarters. Prince George's County is a deserving and worthy community that would benefit greatly from this investment.

For these reasons, I ask for a favorable report for HJ4. Please contact Darrell Carrington at <u>darrell.carrington@verizon.net</u> if you would like any additional information.

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