

Resolution of the Arlington Forest Citizens Association

March 19, 2014

On March 19, 2014, the Arlington Forest Citizens Association unanimously approved the following resolution at its monthly meeting:

The Arlington Forest Citizens Association (AFCA) fiercely objects to the Arlington Public Schools proposal for an 800 to 1,200-student middle school at Lubber Run Community Center (LRCC) site. The plan will negatively affect Barrett School, the Arlington Forest neighborhood, surrounding civic associations and all residents who use LRCC's outdoor and indoor spaces for recreation, a preschool, after school care, sports and classes.

The plan will degrade the quality of life in Arlington Forest by increasing traffic and parking problems while decreasing safety for pedestrians and school children and disrupting neighborhood access to Ballston and the Metro. Any school on this site is unacceptable and AFCA opposes it in the strongest terms.

AFCA urges Arlington County to rebuild the community center according to the schedule outlined in the County's current Capital Improvement Plan budget. Rebuilding of the Center has been delayed and deferred for nearly 20 years – and that is enough.