Bluemont Civic Association Resolution on Wilson Boulevard Reconfiguration Passed at the October 24 General Membership Meeting

"The BCA endorses the recommendations of the BCA Arterial Roads Sidewalks and Pedestrian Safety Task Force to reconfigure Wilson Boulevard west of George Mason Drive in the Bluemont neighborhood to make it safer and more accessible for all modes of transportation, with implementation in two phases: (1) Conversion of the existing four lanes to two through-lanes and a two-way center turn lane (with dedicated turn lanes at intersections), and two bicycle lanes by restriping the pavement; and (2) Widening of sidewalks and planting/utility strips so as to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements and Arlington County design guidelines.

"Requests the County to work collaboratively with the BCA to maximize public participation and input into the further consideration, design, implementation, and evaluation of this reconfiguration, including by involving neighborhood residents, local business, neighboring civic associations, and other potentially interested people and organizations.

"Requests the County to provide baseline data to determine existing levels of service at signalized intersections, public transit travel time, emergency vehicle response time, crash statistics, and other relevant metrics. The Task Force would then compare baseline data to updated data and document the changes, if any, resulting from a particular modification.

"Endorses the Task Force recommendation to pursue additional efforts to address Wilson Boulevard in the Bluemont neighborhood east of George Mason Drive, and requests the Task Force to further study options to improve sidewalks and pedestrian safety in this area and present them for consideration by the BCA.

"Recommends the inclusion of these recommendations in the Bluemont Neighborhood Conservation Plan."