

# Board of Education of Baltimore County

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## RESOLUTION

**Exhibit X**

- WHEREAS, Carver Center for Arts & Technology stands on the site of the former George Washington Carver High School, a school which opened in 1939 for Baltimore County African American students during the era of segregation; and
- WHEREAS, The former George Washington Carver High School graduated its last class in the spring of 1958; and
- WHEREAS, The building of the former George Washington Carver High School and adjacent Towson Junior High were combined in 1958 to form Towsontown Junior High, a fully integrated junior high school; and
- WHEREAS, Two activity rooms were added to Towsontown Junior High School in 1967; and
- WHEREAS, County-wide enrollments began to decline in the late 1970's, resulting in the closing of Towsontown Junior High in 1979; and
- WHEREAS, Following renovations and an addition, the school re-opened as the Central Vocational Technical High School in 1983; and
- WHEREAS, Beginning in 1986, an older portion of the building was converted into offices and shops to house the Baltimore County Public Schools Division of Physical Facilities; and
- WHEREAS, Due to increasing county enrollments in the late 1980's, some schools that had been closed were re-opened and a proposal was made to reclaim the former classroom space occupied by the Division of Physical Facilities and to convert the Central Vocational Technical High School into a magnet high school; and
- WHEREAS, Carver Center opened in 1993 as new magnet high school for arts and technology, with its name standing as a tribute to the great educator and scientist, George Washington Carver and to the school named for him on its present location during the era of segregation in Baltimore County Public Schools; now therefore, be it
- RESOLVED That the Board of Education of Baltimore County Public Schools, honoring the rich traditions and history of the school, strongly support this resolution to recognize and acknowledge Carver Center for Arts & Technology by its formal and official name: George Washington Carver Center for Arts & Technology.

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