



June 12, 2019

Hon. Christian Dorsey, Chair, Arlington County Board
Hon. Libby Garvey, Vice-Chair, Arlington County Board
Hon. Katie Cristol, Member, Arlington County Board
Hon. Erik Gutshall, Member, Arlington County Board
Hon. Matt de Ferranti, Member, Arlington County Board

Re: Boundary Change for North Highlands Citizens Association

Esteemed members of the County Board,

On June 4, 2019, the Arlington Civic Federation approved by a unanimous vote a boundary change requested by North Highlands Citizens Association.

I am enclosing a description of the change that includes detail on the streets that are affected, plus a map highlighting the new areas. It concerns the area enclosed between I-66, Lee Highway and Cleveland Street. It is not included in any Civic Association, and residents have expressed a wish to be incorporated into the Citizen Association that lies to the East.

All adjoining Civic Associations supported the incorporation of the area into the North Highland Citizens Association. .

Our understanding is that the County looks to the Civic Federation concerning boundaries and names of civic associations. Given the vote of approval for the boundary change, we hereby request that the County maps, and other data bases reflect the new boundaries of North Highlands Citizens Association.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Duke Banks", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Duke Banks, President,
Arlington County Civic Federation

cc: Kendra Jacobs, County Clerk
Ben Kenney, VO North Highlands Citizen Association

Enclosure – North Highlands Citizen Association Approved Boundary Change

North Highlands Boundary Expansion

At the June 4 meeting, ACCF Delegates will consider and vote on a boundary change that North Highland Citizens Association requested in the fall of 2015. The boundary issue, which has been ongoing for more than 3 years, would add to NHCA the area bound by Lee Highway, Route 66 and North Cleveland Street (shown in the map below), which is not part of any neighborhood (Arlington County map). Community members in that unrepresented area have expressed an interest in joining NHCA.

After NHCA presented its boundary change request to the Civic Federation, ACCF received confirmation of support of NHCA's request in September 2015 from Sandra Chesrown with the Lee Highway Alliance. The next month, Martha Moore and Jim Lantelme, with the Lyon Village Civic Association (LVCA), sent correspondence to CivFed confirming its boundaries and noting that some residents in the unrepresented area had asked LVCA in the past about joining their civic association. (Later, Maywood Community Association and Woodmont Civic Association also sent emails to ACCF confirming that their boundaries did not include the unrepresented area.)

In October 2015, the CivFed Membership Committee notified the membership of NHCA's boundary request in the CivFed newsletter, with a Constant Contact email to over 900 CivFed and Arlington community members, and on the CivFed website. The boundary request was introduced at the October 2015 CivFed meeting, but the members did not vote on the request at the meeting. In 2016, a resident from the unrepresented area asked the County Board how they could form their own civic association, but thereafter, the residents did not take any action.

On May 4, 2019, Stefanie Pryor, ACCF Membership Committee member, stated in an email that the preponderance of information shows general support from the community. Ms. Pryor advised the ACCF Board of Directors and ACCF membership to accept the North Highlands boundary expansion request.

