



Hon. Mayor Monique Ashton and City Council City of Rockville 111 Maryland Avenue Rockville, Maryland 20850 May 9, 2025

Re: Request for Name Change and Updated Mission Statement

Dear Mayor Ashton and Members of the City Council,

The Senior Citizens Commission respectfully requests consideration for a name change to better reflect the evolving needs and identity of our community. We propose renaming the "Rockville Senior Citizens Commission" to the "Rockville Commission on Aging."

This updated name aligns with terminology used by neighboring jurisdictions and presents a more inclusive and welcoming image for both current and prospective commissioners. It also better reflects the Commission's broader mission of advocating for all older adults in our community.

In conjunction with this proposed name change, we would like to formally share our updated mission statement:

## Mission of the Rockville Commission on Aging

The Rockville Commission on Aging is a nine-member body appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council. The Commission serves as a vital link between the Mayor and Council and Rockville's older adult population.

The Commission advocates on behalf of older adults, promotes policies and programs that support their well-being, and serves as ambassadors to those living in or visiting our community. Commissioners work closely with City staff to identify needs, gather community input, and support both existing and new initiatives that enhance quality of life for aging residents.

Additionally, the Commission represents the interests of Rockville's older adults at the local, county, and state levels, striving to ensure their voices are heard in relevant social and legislative discussions.

We appreciate your consideration of both this name change and our revised mission statement, and we thank you for your continued support of the Commission's work.

Respectfully, ADる

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