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COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

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SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #26-71 to the FY26 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security
Nonprofit Security Grant Program, $500,000

Background

1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation shall be recommended by the County Executive who shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of seven Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.

2. The County Executive has requested the following FY26 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security:

Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Total	Source of Funds
$0	$500,000	$500,000	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

3. The hostilities throughout the Middle East have increased the overall threat environment within the United States. As with prior geopolitical conflicts, these developments heighten the risk of terrorism and hate-motivated incidents, including potential retaliatory actions by individuals inspired by unfolding events abroad.

The U.S. is already seeing an influx of gatherings, vigils, and protests, all of which present opportunities for retaliation, counter-protests, and targeted acts of bias or hate. It is critical that we enhance protections for our community during this period of elevated tension.

The Nonprofit Security Grant Program provides an important opportunity to strengthen security measures and improve the ability to detect, deter, and defend against untoward actions driven by hate and bias. Given the current climate, increase in requests for additional protective measures is anticipated.

4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY26 Operating Budget in the amount of $500,000 for Nonprofit Security Grant Program enhancement and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund Undesignated Reserves.

5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

A supplemental appropriation to the FY26 Operating Budget of the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is approved as follows:

Personnel Services	Operating Expenses	Total	Source of Funds
$0	$500,000	$500,000	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Sara R. Tenenbaum
Clerk of the Council