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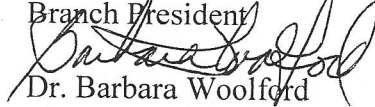
To the Honorable Mayor Jackson-Stanley and Commissioners,

The Dorchester County Branch of the NAACP has received complaints of what appears to be possible voter suppression that will take place during the City's 2020 October election if changes are not made. The concern is the location choice for the election. We are told that the city election usually takes place at Sailwinds Park, where there are better ways to egress and regress to include handicap accessibility. The complaint states that the city has decided to hold the 2020 city election at Chesapeake College which is a smaller venue with limited access and parking.

With the impact of the corona virus and its' resurgence, we are hoping your location will first address the safety and health of the citizens of Cambridge. We are also hoping that consideration will provide for shorter lines if there is a larger than normal turnout. We think you will agree that this is not the time to experiment or try an unproven system. We strongly believe that after giving this matter your utmost attention, you will do what's best for the citizens of Cambridge.

Thanks in advance for putting the welfare of the citizens you serve first and making the best decision for ALL.

Thanks,


James Pinkett
Branch President

Dr. Barbara Woolford
Branch Secretary