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April 12, 2000

Ms. Toni Hubbard, Director Department of Parks, Recreation, and Community Resources Suite 414, One Courthouse Plaza, 2100 Clarendon Blvd Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Ms. Hubbard,



Attached is the most recent of our series of park visit reports. This report covers our visits to Zachary Taylor Park conducted on March 14th, and 18th.

Generally our park visits will be mid-month. Comments will be consolidated for editing at our monthly meetings on the first Wednesday of each month and then forwarded to you, appropriate staff, and selected citizen groups.

Items considered hazardous or of a safety nature will be called in to the cognizant park manager at the time of discovery, hopefully for immediate response.

Zachary Taylor Park is a natural area with a trail bordering a stream, located in the heart of a large residential area. The park needs some maintenance actions such as control of invasive vines, improved signage, and minor trail surface repairs. However, a significant complaint from a number of users should be given high priority attention. The prevalence of "off leash" dogs is a major concern and as a direct violation of Park Regulations, should be more aggressively enforced.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Gruber President, FAP

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