

**PERTAINING TO THE DESIGNATION OF A HISTORIC DISTRICT FOR THE SITE
KNOWN AS RESTHAVEN FARM SILO AT EMERALD COVE, CASE HD 2019-02**

WHEREAS, Title 8 of the *Land Use Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code and the Calvert County Code, Chapter 57, *Historic Districts*, provide that the County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, upon receiving a recommendation from the Historic District Commission, may designate a site with historic, cultural, architectural or design significance and that meets the purposes and criteria of the foregoing Calvert County Code as a Historic District;

WHEREAS, the Historic District Commission received an application from the Emerald Cove Homeowners Association, property owner, for Historic District designation of the site described as:

3828 Shamrock Lane in Port Republic, Maryland, is shown on the Tax Assessor's Map number 30 as Parcel 243, and is zoned Rural Community District. The property to be designated consists of the silo itself and the small building attached to it and the ground within ten feet of the structures for a total of ± 1868 square feet. (hereinafter, referred to as the "Site");

WHEREAS, the Historic District Commission, in regular session on August 14, 2019 reviewed the application, made the following findings and voted to recommend designation of the Site as a Historic District having met the following criteria of the Calvert County Code, Chapter 57, Article III, Section 57-8(A)(1) and A.2., specifically:

1. *The Resthaven Farm Silo at Emerald Cove is part of the original farm once owned by the Crane family and is significant as an example of a way of life that no longer exists.*
2. *Harold A. Crane had had a tobacco farm and expanded to cattle in the mid twentieth century. He called his farm Resthaven Farm. He raised purebred Hereford cattle and built the silo for grain storage to feed his herd. A few other silos were constructed in the county in the same period for the same purpose. For example: Jefferson Patterson had a silo built for grain for his herd of Angus at Point Farm (now Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum); Benjamin Parran built silos at the Cage Farm, just north of Point Farm. The cattlemen knew each other and shared labor.*
3. *The Resthaven Farm Silo at Emerald Cove represents a period in Calvert County agriculture when cattle-breeders fed their cattle corn.*
4. *The Resthaven Farm Silo is a fine example of a purpose-built agricultural structure from the mid twentieth century.*

5. *The silo is one of the few vestiges of the agricultural past in the Emerald Cove subdivision and serves as a landmark and stately reminder of the history on the land before the Emerald Cove subdivision was built.*

WHEREAS, a joint public hearing to consider said recommendation was duly scheduled, advertised, and held on November 19, 2019 at which time the recommendation of the Historic District Commission was discussed, staff's recommendations were considered, and public comment was solicited; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recommended designation to the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, which was satisfied that the criteria for approval of the Historic District had been met, that the property owner was in favor of the designation, and that designation of the Site as a Calvert County Historic District is in the best interests of the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Calvert County, and voted to approve the designation of the Site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, that the reasons set forth by the Historic District Commission in support of its recommendation to approve the application for Historic District designation of the property known as Resthaven Farm Silo at Emerald Cove, as more fully described above, **BE**, and hereby **ARE**, adopted as findings of fact by this Board;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that the Site, as recommended, **BE**, and hereby **IS**, designated as a Calvert County Historic District;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that any structure within said Historic District is designated as a "landmark" for purposes of §§ 9-204 of the *Tax-Property Article* of the Maryland Annotated Code, insofar as those improvements contribute to the significance of the Calvert County Historic District;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland that the foregoing recitals are adopted as if fully rewritten herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert

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Resolution No. 38-19

Re: The Designation of a Historic District for the Site Known as Resthaven Farm Silo at Emerald Cove

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County, Maryland that this Resolution shall be effective upon recording.

DONE, this 19th day of November, 2019, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

Karen S. Phelps
Clerk

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Approved for form and legal sufficiency by:

Absent
Mike Hart

John B. Norris, III
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Garry Smith