

Resolution No.: 12-01.5  
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**TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE LAND TRUST ALLIANCE'S**  
**2004 LAND TRUST STANDARDS AND PRACTICES**

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted a Land Conservation Program by way of a Resolution, dated February 8, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Land Conservation Program enables Town residents to give gifts of open space to the Town that will protect that open space in perpetuity by entering into conservation easement agreements or other agreements under which the Town is the named beneficiary or by conveying land to the Town in fee simple, all of which the Town Council has determined will yield significant public benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chevy Chase will enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Maryland Environmental Trust (MET) to describe the mutual and respective interests of the organizations and of each to protect local, regional and statewide natural resources that contribute to the ecological, social and economic well-being of our Maryland communities, primarily through land conservation, and to provide the Town with benefits that accrue to land trusts due to cooperative affiliation with MET; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of its Cooperative Agreement with MET, the Town agreed to adopt the Land Trust Alliance's 2004 *Land Trust Standards and Practices* as guidelines for the Town's operations related to the Land Conservation Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chevy Chase has reviewed *Land Trust Standards and Practices* published by the Land Trust Alliance in 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chevy Chase agrees that *Land Trust Standards and Practices* are the ethical and technical guidelines for the responsible operation of a land conservation program in which the Town is the holder of conservation easements;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 15 day of March, 2012, that the Town Council for the Town of Chevy Chase hereby adopts *Land Trust Standards and Practices* as guidelines for the Town's operations and commits to making continual progress towards implementation of these standards and practices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing Resolution shall take effect on the 15 day of March, 2012.

I, Albert Lang, Secretary of the Town Council of the Town of Chevy Chase, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council at its meeting on the 15 day of March, 2012.



Albert Lang, Secretary