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Montgomery County Democratic Central Committee
3720 Farragut Avenue 303
Kensington, Maryland 20895

Dear Montgomery County Democratic Central Committee:

I am applying for one of the At-Large positions currently available on our county's Democratic Central Committee. I look forward to sharing a few highlights of my life with all of you and ask for your conscientious consideration of my application.

I am a female whose age is greater than 18 years. I am now and I have been a registered Democrat since the age of 18, first in Texas and later in Maryland. I now reside in Montgomery County, Maryland, and have done so since 1993, for twenty-three years in Bethesda and for the past two years in Montgomery Village.

For several years in Austin, Texas, I participated in that state's two-part primary election process. After voting a typical, Democratic, punch-card ballot in the morning, in the evening I would join other Democratic voters to caucus and select delegates to the state party's convention. I was honored to be elected several times by my precinct to represent them at the state convention.

Moving to Maryland required accommodating a different system.

The duties of parenting my two autism-spectrum children kept me quite occupied for a number of years. When I was at last able to reach outside of my home, I began to be able to reach out to the Democratic Party.

I am dedicated to the values and work of the Democratic Party. If elected to this position, my very strong interests lie in

- re/building the Democratic Party as a grassroots movement
- creating or using existing teaching tools to enhance the public's understanding of the Party and the various levels of government (civics 101)
- ensuring individual voters and certain demographic populations become comfortable interacting with elected officials and with the act of voting
- increasing voter registration and voter participation in elections
- increasing the Committee's interaction with and outreach to the voters of Montgomery County
- increasing the number and frequency of small donations to the Committee
- building each precinct's strength and utility; ensuring multiple volunteers are available within each precinct to fill electoral and social needs
- creating a Committee platform to be shared with and implemented by the Maryland Democratic Party and
- ensuring candidates in every contest have an equitable, fair chance at winning the popular vote.

As a member of the MCDCC my interests will lie in serving the Committee and the people of Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

/s/ Suzi Kaplan