Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations Minutes of Special Board Meeting on May 16, 2002 (Draft 5-19-02)

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 p.m. for the purpose of considering the nominations of two candidates in response to a request from Chairman Kate Hanley for a Federation representative on the New Millenium Task Force for the Occoquan Watershed. The two candidates were:

Maya Huber, nominated by Sally Ormsby and Jean Packard in coordination with Ray Steele. Maya chaired the original Occoquan Study Task Force that recommended the down-zoning of the area to protect the watershed. This involved handling sensitive legal matters and the solicitation of amicus briefs in response to legal challenges. Maya also has served as Land Use chair of the Federation and been nominated as President. In addition, she served on the Planning Commission, where she encouraged citizen participation in decision-making.

Mike Thompson, the Federation's Springfield District representative and a member of the Education committee, offered himself as a candidate. He has served as a member-at-large and officer of the Occoquan Watershed Coalition, a grassroots group restricted to the area. His stated qualifications are that he understands the current issues in the Occoquan watershed: land use, roads, water quality, and mega-development. In addition, he led the successful effort to stop Ridgefield Road and has good relations with homeowners' associations in the area.

By a written ballot, Maya Huber was selected as the Federation's representative. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Anne Lecos, Recording Secretary.