

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2017-08

RESOLUTION NO. 16-2017

Title of Resolution: Tax Credit - Historic Property - Thomas Richards House

Synopsis: A Resolution to approve a property tax credit of 10% of the documented expenses spent by the owner-taxpayer for the restoration and preservation of Thomas Richards House, a historic designated structure in Cecil County.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: April 18, 2017

Scheduled for consideration on: May 2, 2017

By: _____
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted on _____ at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on _____.

By: _____
Council Manager

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1 **WHEREAS**, Division I, Title 8, Subtitle 1, §8-104 et seq. of the Land Use Article, Annotated Code of
2 Maryland authorizes the County to establish regulations and procedures to designate a property as a
3 historic district; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Article XI, Part IV, Historic District of the Cecil County Zoning Ordinance provides the
5 regulations and procedures to preserve historic districts, landmarks, sites, or structures of historical,
6 archeological, or architectural significance, with their appurtenances and environmental settings, for the
7 public welfare of the residents of Cecil County: and

8 **WHEREAS**, the County Commissioners of Cecil County, Maryland, approved the designation
9 of Thomas Richards House, located at 1702 Conowingo Road, Rising Sun, MD 21911; Election District 6,
10 Tax Map 9, Parcel 118, on November 20, 2001; and

11 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 337-7. Credit granted, under Article III. Historic Property Tax Credit,
12 Chapter 337 Taxation, of the Code of Cecil County, a property tax credit of up to 10% of the properly
13 documented expenses of a private owner-taxpayer for the restoration and preservation of a structure that
14 Cecil County determines has historical value may be granted against the County property tax imposed; and

15 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 337-9, a property credit granted in one year under this article shall
16 only be applied against the current year's property tax; and the amount of property tax credit to be granted
17 shall not exceed the amount of property tax payable against said property in the year that the tax credit is
18 granted; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Ronald and Audrey Edwards are the owners of the property at 1702 Conowingo Road,
20 Rising Sun, MD 21911, also known as Thomas Richards House; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Section 337-7 provides a property tax credit of up to 10% of the properly documented
22 expense of the owner-taxpayer for the restoration and preservation of the said parcel; and

23 **WHEREAS**, Ronald and Audrey Edwards have presented properly documented receipts in the
24 amount of \$17,905 for restoration and preservation to Thomas Richards House, which has been reviewed
25 and recommended by the Historic District Commission; and

26 **WHEREAS**, the Real Property Tax bill for the property located at 1702 Conowingo Road, Rising Sun,
27 MD 21911, is an annual total of \$2,245.52.

28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland, that
29 Ronald and Audrey Edwards, owners and taxpayers at 1702 Conowingo Road, Rising Sun, MD 21911, are
30 entitled to a tax credit in the amount of \$1,790.50 on the real property tax.

31 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by
32 the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

INTRODUCED: April 18, 2017

ADOPTED: _____

President of the Council

ATTEST:

Council Manager