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New Montgomery County House Delegation Leadership Elected

ROCKVILLE, MD, November 11, 2022 – The Montgomery County House Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly elected Delegate Julie Palakovich Carr (D-17) as its new Chair and Delegate Emily Shetty (D-18) as its new Vice Chair at the Delegation’s post-election organizational meeting Thursday evening.

Incoming Chair Palakovich Carr said “I am honored to have the support of my colleagues to serve as the next Chair and look forward to advancing our county’s goals in the legislature and with Governor Moore and his administration.”

“I appreciate the opportunity to serve as Vice Chair for our incredible delegation. I look forward to building on the important work the Montgomery County team has been doing, as we head into a new chapter working with our leaders in Annapolis, including Speaker Adrienne Jones and Governor-elect Moore,” said Vice Chair Shetty.

The Montgomery County House Delegation has grown to 26 members with the inclusion of District 9A, a districts that crosses jurisdictional boundaries. The Delegation considers local bills that impact only the County and advocates for the County’s interests at the state level. In recent years the Delegation has successfully advocated for increased school construction funding, investment in the Universities at Shady Grove and the County’s Bus Rapid Transit program, passed a County-based clean energy community choice aggregation program, and more.

The Montgomery County Democratic Caucus also elected Delegates Lily Qi (D-15) and Vaughn Stewart (D-19) as co-Chairs.

“Over the last four years, the Montgomery County Delegation secured unprecedented investments in our county, especially in the areas of education and transportation. This term, we will continue working collaboratively to make Montgomery County a more affordable place to live, raise a family, and retire,” said Caucus Co-Chair Stewart.

Caucus Co-Chair Qi added, “I look forward to working with my Montgomery County Delegation colleagues to bring new voters and voices to our democratic process through policies and practices that are reflective of today’s community.”

The new team succeeds Delegate Marc Korman (Chair) (D-16), Delegate Al Carr (Vice Chair) (D-18), and Delegate Lesley Lopez (Caucus Chair) (D-39). Chair Palakovich Carr was previously Vice Chair of the Montgomery County Democratic Caucus.

“Delegate Korman leaves big shoes to fill as Chair. For four years, he lead our delegation with skill and good humor. His leadership was key to our delegation’s successful efforts to secure increased state funding for school construction and transportation projects in Montgomery County,” concluded Chair Palakovich Carr.

Information on the Montgomery County Delegation can be found here:
<http://www.montgomerycountydelegation.com>

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