

**South County Federation Resolution  
Regarding Lorton Road Widening Project**

**WHEREAS**, the Workhouse Arts Center (Workhouse), operated by the Lorton Arts Foundation, Inc., is a significant cultural institution in South County and the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Workhouse will increasingly be an “attractor” for commercial and residential growth in South County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is engaged in a project that will widen Lorton Road between I-95 and Ox Road to four lanes, to include a median that will allow only “right in/right out” at the intersection of Lorton Road and Workhouse Way; and

**WHEREAS**, such limiting of traffic movements at the intersection of Lorton Road and Workhouse Way will require potential Workhouse visitors traveling westbound on Lorton Road to continue past the Workhouse to Ox Road and find an appropriate place on Ox Road to execute a safe “U” turn to get back to Lorton Road eastbound and then exit onto Workhouse Way; and

**WHEREAS**, traffic departing the Workhouse will not be able to go south on Ox Road without executing a “U” turn somewhere on either Lorton Road or Ox Road; and

**WHEREAS**, when hosting major community events on the Workhouse campus, the Lorton Arts Foundation must ensure an emergency plan that provides for efficient evacuation of the campus and a median on Lorton Road at Workhouse Way inhibits such prompt evacuation; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with its rezoning proffers, at some point in the future the Lorton Arts Foundation is obligated to construct a new road on the backside of its Workhouse campus and that this road will connect to Lorton Road with access/egress turns in all directions;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the South County Federation urges Fairfax County to request that the Virginia Department of Transportation modify its plan for the median at the intersection of Lorton Road and Workhouse Way to allow for access/egress turns in all directions until such time as the road is constructed on the backside of the Workhouse Arts Center that will allow for a new entry/exit onto the Workhouse campus.

Adopted by the South County Federation on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 2013.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary