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WOODMONT CIVIC ASSOCIATION Sharon Rogers, President Arlington, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

The Department of Environmental Services has an established Concrete Maintenance (CM) program for repair and replacement of deteriorated curb and gutter and sidewalks within the residential areas. Routine concrete maintenance of curb and gutter, sidewalk within residential areas is done at no cost to the adjacent property owners. The curb and gutter, sidewalk repair/replacement work prior to paving will be included as needed based on the yearly paving list.

The criteria to be used for replacement are:

- 1. Sidewalk that has settled more than ½ inch.
- 2. Settled curb and gutter which does not allow for effective drainage.
- 3. Spalled or damaged catch basin tops will be replaced.
- 4. Spalled sidewalk, or curb and gutter will be replaced.

County policy does not include replacement of the driveway apron. If any property owner wishes to have their replaced, currently there is a \$750 replacement cost for existing single driveway apron in the same location up to 10 feet wide measured at the property line or back of apron. The costs of wider aprons will be \$75 per foot of width. Construction of all aprons for new driveways, relocations, or modifications of an apron is the owner's responsibility and they must obtain all the appropriate right of way permits.

Issues within areas with commercial zoning are addressed by a separate concrete maintenance program, the High Density Concrete Maintenance (HDCM). This HDCM program requires property owners to either correct any sidewalk deficiencies along their property frontage or to pay the County for the costs of repairs.

Residents are encouraged to report any safety or tripping hazard within the commercial zones. County crew will be dispatched to make the area safe until permanent repairs can be arranged.