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Martin O'Malley, Governor – Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor – Joshua M. Sharfstein, M.D., Secretary

January 3, 2013

John R. Leopold, County Executive
Jerry Walker, Chairman, County Council
Anne Arundel County
44 Calvert Street
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear County Executive Leopold and Councilman Walker,

I am writing to request the concurrence of the County Executive and Council in the removal of Dr. Angela Wakhweya, Anne Arundel Health Officer, under § 3-302(g) of the Health-General Article of the Maryland Code.

This request is based on the assessment of Dr. Laura Herrera, Deputy Secretary for Public Health, Keneithia Taylor, Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs, and Harold Young, III, the acting Deputy Director of the Office of Human Resources of what is in the best interest of a highly functional Anne Arundel Department of Health. Dr. Wakhweya is an experienced public health professional, but the Department has lost confidence that she can lead the Health Department effectively at this time.

Please do not hesitate to contact the office of Dr. Herrera at 410-767-6525 should you wish to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

Joshua M. Sharfstein, M.D.
Secretary

cc: Members of Anne Arundel County Council
Joshua Auerbach, Principal Counsel
Laura Herrera, M.D., M.P.H.
Keneithia Taylor
Harold Young, III