Being moved emotionally by the thought of Charter Government because you want to support one that you elected perhaps? Moved by this form of Government because Prince Georges County and other counties implemented this form of Government? Many have seen what the neighboring county looks like. Don't be fooled by this proposal that may be presented to you in a "box wrapped in a pretty bow".

Knowing the real facts is paramount at this time. Think it not weird that this form of Government was introduced without any public forums or input by all of the citizens in the County. A handful of citizens don't speak for the entire County. There are some who stand to gain from this financially. Developers will not be held accountable at all. More responsibility will be placed on homeowners. You think that it's bad now?

The County Executive will have his or her way, taking care of those that are friends, family, certain businesses and close associates. This, in many ways, is already happening. People are deceived because they think that they are being given something that they want. Some Real Estate agents also stand to gain from this, and some who are wealthy in the County stand to gain from this type of Government. More cover-ups and corruption is what it spells.

People who deceive other people are successful in their deception because they give people what they already want. Self-deception becomes the only path to possess the thing that you already wanted. If someone tells you that they made the most incredible brownies ever, but a very small drop of feces was dropped in the batter, the entire batch is not edible. It has to be destroyed and the baker must start all over again.

With Charter Government, one or two dishonest elected officials or one or two appointed Charter Government Board Members can create a negative, toxic, unfair and illegally operated Charter Government, and the effects will not enhance the County, but destroy it. Starting over will be the only viable option. There is a reason why, initially, interviews were not going to take place. There is a reason that three of our Commissioners disagreed with Commissioner Stewart when she, fairly, suggested that the names of applicants be placed in a hat and pulled. The Commissioners should not have had a stake in this process because some are already covering up illegal behaviors amongst themselves.

Certain leaders want those that they know on said board, those who are only going to act for the good of a few and not all. Those who have already been proven to be dishonest in the efforts. Those who are "dead set" on making everything about the black race and not all races. This is only a path to destruction that will not set the County up for success.

Don't let the fact that you identify with their (elected officials) story, their past or their race, thwart your common sense because many don't know anything about Charter Government and others know just enough to say they have a bit of a clue. Many have tried to give some of our leaders the benefit of the doubt. I want to do just that, but it seems that our trust has been betrayed on numerous occasions so I ask why trust in leadership with this form of Government?

Thank you,