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## **Board Matter**

**April 12, 2022**

Mr. Chairman— With Board approval, Supervisor Gross and I are requesting a waiver of the application fees associated with the flea markets conducted by the Alexandria Asian American Lions Club.

The Alexandria Asian Americans Lions Club has collaborated with the Springfield-Franconia Host Lions Club in operating the flea markets for the past 13 years. As all net proceeds generated from the flea markets are returned to the community through the work of the Lions Club, the Board has approved this waiver annually since 1994. The Alexandria Asian American Lions Club reached out to my office to express their gratitude to the Board for approving these fee waivers in previous years and to respectfully request that we support their application for 2022.

The flea markets take place at the Backlick Road VRE Station parking lot twice a month on Saturdays from April through November. The Alexandria Asian American Lions Club donates all net proceeds from the flea markets to supporting organizations such as Koinonia, ECHO, Second Story, Juvenile Diabetes Association, Foundation Fighting Blindness, the Virginia Lions Eye Institute Foundation (VLEIF) and local food banks. The Club also covers the costs of eye exams and glasses for people in need.

As the Board may be aware, this is the third Board Matter Supervisor Gross and I have put forward regarding fee waivers for 2022 flea markets. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Lions Clubs have not required individual fee waivers to be passed by the Board since 2019, although they did submit separate requests in previous years. In communications with my office, the Alexandria Asian Americans Lions Club has expressed their wish to coordinate with the Springfield Global Lions Club and the

Springfield-Franconia Host Lions Club to submit a joint fee waiver request to the Board beginning next year.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, in partnership with Supervisor Gross, I move that the Board waive the application fees for permits associated with the Alexandria Asian Americans Lions Club 2022 flea markets.