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Dear Efik Friends:

We are delighted to welcome the Efik National Association to Rockville. While you are visiting, I hope that you will be able to enjoy some of Rockville's many amenities.

On behalf of the Mayor and Council of Rockville, we recognize your efforts in providing opportunities for youth with mentoring programs, health, education and personal development. This enrichment will provide them with the necessary means to thrive within the community.

The City of Rockville is fortunate to have residents representing such a rich ethnic and cultural diversity. Cultural programs, such as EFIK, that fully embrace the challenges of diversity are a great tool to help build relations among citizens of many different backgrounds, and we applaud your efforts as you strive to preserve and celebrate your own unique heritage.

World-renowned anthropologist Margaret Mead once said:

"If we are to achieve a richer culture, rich in contrasting values, we must recognize the whole gamut of human potentialities, and so weave a less arbitrary social fabric, one in which each diverse human gift will find a fitting place."

It is in this spirit that I wish for you continued success as you share your many diverse gifts with each other and the rest of our wonderful community.

Best regards,

Phyllis Marcuccio
Mayor

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