



To: Dr. Irma Becerra, President of Marymount University
From: Eric Cassel, President, Crystal City Civic Association (CCCA)
Date: September 30, 2025
Subject: Concerns Regarding Pre-Game Music at Long Bridge Park

Dear Dr. Becerra,

The Crystal City Civic Association values Marymount University's presence in our community and the vibrant soccer and lacrosse games hosted at Long Bridge Park. However, we have received concerns about the pre-game music played at your recent events.

On Wednesday, September 24, 2025, a song containing sexually suggestive lyrics and frequent profanity was played during warm-ups. This content was inappropriate for a public setting, particularly given the presence of elementary school students, families, and other park patrons. While we understand the desire to energize student-athletes, we are concerned about the impression this music may leave on younger visitors and the broader community.

We kindly request that Marymount University review its pre-game music selections to ensure they are appropriate for all park users. We are not filing a formal complaint with Arlington County at this time but have copied the Park Manager for awareness.

We greatly appreciate your partnership in fostering a welcoming environment at Long Bridge Park and look forward to continued positive engagement with your university. Please feel free to contact me to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely, Eric Cassel
President, Crystal City Civic Association

CC: Long Bridge Park Manager
Soccer and Lacrosse Coaches
Aurora Highlands Civic Association
Arlington Ridge Civic Association