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**PLANNING BOARD TO DECIDE ON PURCHASE OF  
UNCLE TOM'S CABIN HISTORIC SITE, JANUARY 5**

**SILVER SPRING, MD** – Thursday, January 5, at 1 p.m., the Montgomery County Planning Board is scheduled to consider the purchase of the historic site and former home of Josiah Henson, a slave that served as Harriet Beecher Stowe's model for her novel on slavery, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Originally a large farm, the one-acre property, including the cabin attached to an 18<sup>th</sup> century home and other historic structures, is located at 11420 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Maryland.

**WHO:**

Montgomery County Planning Board

**WHAT:**

Decision on whether to purchase the slave home portrayed in "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

**WHEN:**

Thursday, January 5, 1 p.m.

**WHERE:**

M-NCPPC Auditorium

8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD

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