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The Honorable Carol L. Krimm  
6 Bladen Street, Room 422  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Delegate Krimm,

My name is Bob Hoffmann and I reside in Oakland, Maryland. I am a member of Elks Lodge 2481 in Oakland and am also a retired Air Force Brigadier General, having spent over 28 years on active duty serving our great country. I joined the Elks Lodge because I could see all the great services and support it provided to our community which included veterans like myself. While I am fortunate to have a wonderful home in which I live, some of my brother and sister veterans are not as fortunate.

I am writing to ask that you and your colleagues support fraternal organizations such as the B.P.O. Elks to gain access to funds through Instant Ticket Lottery Machines in the form of support for "Slots" for Homeless Veterans Act (HB 0131/2020). For lodges like mine, this extra revenue translates directly to more support for the community and its veterans which the lodge and its members serve. Your critical support will ensure the lodges, communities, and the entire State of Maryland are better funded to continue the great work they do for veterans.

I would sincerely appreciate your help in this endeavor and respectfully ask that you please send me a response letting me know you support the Bill that would strengthen our community and help to assist homeless veterans in our community.

Thank you again for your time and considering my request.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Hoffmann  
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