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The Honorable C. T. Wilson  
Chair, Economic Matters  
The Maryland House of Delegates  
6 Bladen Street, Room 231  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Chair Wilson and Members of the Economic Matters Committee,

The Howard County Board of License Commissioners ("BLC") held a meeting in December to discuss three liquor bills currently under consideration. They are listed below:

- HB 146: Howard County-Alcoholic Beverages-Public Hearing Ho.Co. 13-23
- HB 158: Howard County - Alcoholic Beverages Licenses - Residency Requirements Ho. Co. 11-23
- HB 218: Alcoholic Beverages Licenses-Repeal of Petition of Support Requirement Ho.Co. 12-23

The purpose of these bills is to eliminate obsolete requirements related to the named Resident Agent and support statements from individuals known to the licensee. These changes will allow Howard County to operate consistently with neighboring counties (Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Montgomery, and Prince George's) that have already adopted these rules.

In addition to unanimous BLC support, our Office of Law and Liquor Inspector also support HB 146, HB 158 and HB 218.

Respectfully,

David Yungmann  
Chair, Howard County Board of License Commissioners