



# Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

February 20, 2023

Hon. Delegate Kumar Barve, Chair  
Hon. Delegate Dana Stein, Vice Chair  
Environment and Transportation Committee Room 251  
House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: HB 806 – Vehicle Laws—Autonomous Vehicle Converters—Sale of Autonomous Vehicles

**Hearing Date: February 23, 2023**

**Position: Support**

Dear Chairman Barve, Vice Chairman Stein, and Committee Members:

The Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1949. Since then, the organization has grown to more than 470 members representing over 50,000 area employees. On behalf of these members, we appreciate the opportunity to provide written comments on House Bill 806—Vehicle Laws—Autonomous Vehicle Converters-Sale of Autonomous Vehicles.

The Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce is proud to support one of its members, RRAI, as they continue to grow their footprint and their business in Montgomery County. House Bill 806 allows companies like RRAI to sell industrial and commercial vehicles installed with their autonomous technology to customers without being considered an automobile dealer under Maryland law. This narrowly tailored legislation avoids unintended consequences while at the same time supports an innovative company. This bill not only supports growing Maryland autonomy businesses, like RRAI, but Maryland components suppliers that manufacture and supply parts for these companies, as well.

We appreciate the opportunity to lend our support to this legislation, and we urge a favorable vote on House Bill 806.

Sincerely,

Paula Ross,  
President & CEO

