

March 20, 2023

The Honorable William C. Smith Jr. Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee Miller Senate Office Building, 2 East Wing 11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD, 21401

RE: Letter of Support SB0894 Task Force on Common Ownership Communities

Dear Chairman Smith:

The Maryland Building Industry Association, representing 100,000 employees statewide, appreciates the opportunity to participate in the discussion surrounding SB0894 Task Force on Common Ownership Communities. MBIA Supports the Act in its current version.

This bill establishes the Task Force on Common Ownership Communities; and requires the Task Force to submit a report of findings and recommendations on or before December 31, 2024. MBIA supports the establishment of this task force. We are currently apart of the task force and we believe it is beneficial to our communities. Our stakeholders need to have a large conversation about the future of HOA's and condos and how they are run. The task force will allow our elected officials and leaders of common ownership communities to be together in the same room discussing the important issues that face our communities and ultimately change things for the better.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully requests the Committee adopt the proposed amendment and give this measure a favorable report. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or lgraf@marylandbuilders.org.

cc: Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee