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Delegate Luke Clippinger, Chair Judicial Committee Room 101 House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: HB0036 Real Property – Actions to Repossess – Proof of Rental Licensure

Dear Chair Clippinger and Committee Members:

The College Park City Council voted unanimously during our meeting on January 31, 2023 to support HB0036. This legislation would require, in certain actions to repossess residential rental property, a landlord to submit to the clerk of the court evidence of compliance with local rental property licensure requirements and demonstrate that the landlord is compliant with the licensure requirements. We believe that this requirement will encourage landlords to comply with rental licensing and inspections and better ensure that rental properties meet public safety codes.

Thank you for your consideration of the City's position.

Sincerely,

Patrick Wojahn

Mayor

cc: 21st District Delegation