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Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk, Chair
Health and Government Operations Committee
241 House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Letter of Support for House Bill 1293 – Maryland Department of Health – Public Education Campaign on Prostate, Lung, and Breast Cancer Prevention

Dear Chair Peña-Melnyk:

On behalf of the Maryland Radiological Society we would like to urge our strong support of House Bill 1293 – Maryland Department of Health – Public Education Campaign on Prostate, Lung, and Breast Cancer Prevention, sponsored by Delegate Jamila Woods.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to Delegate Woods for her leadership on this important issue.

The Maryland Radiological Society is the Maryland state chapter of the American College of Radiology, with a membership of over 500 radiologists, radiation oncologists and radiations physicists in the State of Maryland whose mission is to advance the science of radiology, improve radiological services, and maintain high levels of medical and ethical standards in the practice of radiology.

The passage of HB 1293 is a key step in furthering Maryland’s goals of reducing health care disparities and to ensuring that all Marylanders have access to information that can save lives. The implementation of this bill would ensure the Department of Health embark on an education campaign to target those communities disproportionately impacted by prostate, breast and lung cancer. This program would not only educate and inform, but also promote early detection and screening initiatives and provide information to individuals about legislation passed that reduces cost barriers to these prevention services.

On behalf of the members of the Maryland Radiological Society we thank you for your consideration of House Bill 1293 and urge your favorable support of this critical piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

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