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**HB 610
ST. MARY'S COUNTY – GAMING BY QUALIFIED
ORGANIZATION – LICENSE REQUIRED**

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means
POSITION: Support with Amendment

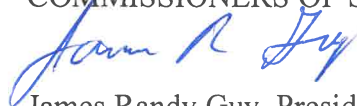
The Commissioners of St. Mary's County support with amendments **HB 610 - ST. MARY'S COUNTY – GAMING BY QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION LICENSE REQUIRED**. Understanding that sponsor amendments will be offered which narrow the scope of a licensing requirement to gaming devices, we believe HB 610 will bring greater clarity to St. Mary's County's charitable gaming laws and allow greater local decision-making and flexibility than current law allows.

Proceeds from charitable gaming by local qualified organizations have supported many deserving projects and individuals in St. Mary's County. We support legislation that will make the process clearer for qualified organizations to participate, and which will give the Commissioners greater latitude to adopt local regulations tailored and suited to the local needs of St. Mary's County.

We urge you to **support with amendments HB 610**. Thank you for your consideration of this matter, and thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY


James Randy Guy, President

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