To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Article II, Section 17(c), of the Maryland Constitution states:

Section 17.

(c) Any Bill presented to the Governor within six days (Sundays excepted), prior to adjournment of any session of the General Assembly, or after such adjournment, shall become law without the Governor's signature unless it is vetoed by the Governor within 30 days after presentment.

Having chosen not to sign the following bills after formal presentment and to let the provisions of Article II, Section 17(c) determine the effectiveness of the legislation, the Bills will become law without the Governor's signature as of midnight, May 8, 2021, and are assigned the following Chapter numbers:

**SB 600**  
**Chapter 132**  
Senator Smith  
MARYLAND POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2021 – SURPLUS MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND INVESTIGATION OF DEATHS CAUSED BY POLICE OFFICERS

Prohibiting a law enforcement agency from receiving certain equipment from a program operated by the federal government for the transfer of surplus military equipment; requiring a law enforcement agency to notify the Independent Investigative Unit in the Office of the Attorney General of an alleged or potential police–involved death of a civilian by a certain time; establishing the Independent Investigative Unit in the Office of the Attorney General to investigate alleged or potential police–involved deaths of civilians; etc.  
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SB 786  Senator McCray (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)
Chapter 133

MARYLAND POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2021 – BALTIMORE CITY – CONTROL OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE CITY

Providing that the Police Department of Baltimore City is an agency and instrumentality of the City of Baltimore, instead of the State, contingent on the passage of an amendment to the Charter of Baltimore City providing for the transfer and its ratification by the voters of Baltimore City; establishing an Advisory Board on the Transfer of Control of the Police Department to study issues related to the transfer; declaring the intent of the General Assembly that the transfer does not affect certain collective bargaining rights; etc.
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Sincerely,

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Executive Director