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To: Members of the Economic Matters Committee and the Alcoholic Beverages Subcommittee:

Dear Members,

My name is John Groncki and I was the Chief Liquor License Inspector for Wicomico County, MD from February 2007 thru January 2018. During my time as Chief Inspector, I was charged with enforcing the Alcohol Beverage laws to over 155 license establishments. I also, along with a part time Inspector conducted daily inspections of licensed establishments. I also initiated county wide alcohol compliance checks of all licensed establishments throughout the year, which involved utilizing various members of both local police agencies and the Maryland State Police. I also oversaw a full time administrative secretary. I feel very confident that in my 11 years as Chief Inspector I have gained the knowledge and experience needed to professionally and efficiently operate the daily business of an Alcohol Licensing Department.

Since December 2019, I have advised the City of Salisbury on the establishment for the City of Salisbury of their own Board of License Commissioners. When approached, I agreed without hesitation. I firmly support Mayor Day and the City Council in their effort. I am confident that their track record of efficient and effective management and my experience in law enforcement and in supervising Wicomico's Board of License Commissioners will ensure a smooth transition and effective operations of the City of Salisbury's Board of License Commissioners.

Respectfully,

John Groncki