

# The Mayor and Council of Hurlock

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The Honorable Paul Pinsky  
2 West St.  
Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

February 6, 2020

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Members of the Committee:

The Town of Hurlock is writing in support of Senate Bill 495: Bay Restoration Fund – Use of Funds – Municipal Wastewater Facilities. This bill will be extremely beneficial to properties within the Hurlock mailing district.

Currently, projects cannot use Bay Restoration Funds to connect to wastewater treatment facilities that are in the process of being upgraded to achieve enhanced nutrient removal (ENR) or biological nutrient removal level treatment (BNR). This has delayed projects in North Dorchester County that need these funds to connect to waste water treatment facilities.

Allowing projects to utilize Bay Restoration Funds will ease the financial burden on projects in North Dorchester County. Specifically, this bill will help the Suicide Bridge Restaurant connect to a municipal wastewater facility. This restaurant has a failing septic system and will benefit from a connection. This bill will allow the restaurant to connect to the facility as it upgrades to ENR. This bill will help protect the health of our waters.

Thank you for your consideration of this important bill. We ask for your favorable report of Senate Bill 495.

Sincerely,



John H. Avery  
Town Manager