

Testimony for the House Environment and Transportation Committee

HB 111 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment for Multifamily Units Act

Position: **Favorable**

February 4, 2020

The Honorable Kumar Barve, Chair
Room 251, House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Honorable Chair Barve and Members of the House Environment and Transportation Committee:

My name is Robert Erdman and I am a resident of Montgomery County. I am writing to you in favor of House Bill 111 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment for Multifamily Units Act.

We currently have two electric vehicles, a Chevy Volt and a Tesla Model S. We have the luxury of being able to charge our vehicles in our garage. The ability to charge at home is very important; it makes using an electric car more convenient than a gas-powered car. Without the ability to charge at home, using an electric vehicle would be much more difficult, to the extent that if we were unable to charge where we lived at night, we would not have bought the cars.

The sales of electric vehicles will continue to increase, as the choice of electric vehicles increases, and the prices decrease. An ever-growing number of Maryland residents who live in HOAs and multi-dwelling units will need the help and clarity that this bill will provide to take advantage of Electric Vehicles, including gas savings and lower maintenance costs.

As a long-time resident of Maryland, I sincerely hope that the proposed bill is passed and that Maryland will continue to be one of the leaders in sustainable transportation, with the dual benefits of cleaner air and fuel that is sourced domestically. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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