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Dear Judiciary Committee Members,

My name is Lynn Saffold Davis. I am a resident of Prince George's County Maryland and I am writing in support of HB0200 Vehicle Laws -Registration Plate Frames and Borders-Enforcement. I was quite surprised when I heard that a frame around a license plate was illegal in the State of Maryland. I have purchased several cars in the State of Maryland and all of them have come with a frame from the Car Dealership. So it was quite a surprise to hear that I can be pulled over and ticketed by the police for no other reason than my Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc frame around my license plate! This news made me even more troubled because when I found out about this primary offense law I had recently purchased my teenage son a car! As a mother of a young African American man I was worried every time he left the house but to know the police could stop him for a license plate frame! This was brought home to me when another mother in an organization that I belong to, Jack and Jill of America Incorporated Prince George's County Chapter, daughter and son were both pulled over at different times by the police for having a frame around their license plate. This was upsetting to me and I reached out to Delegate Fisher for support.

As a mother and a citizen of Maryland there are a lot of things I worry about but getting stopped by the Police for a license plate frame should not be one of them. I recommend you pass HB0200 out of committee and the full General Assembly pass this legislation. If you should have any questions or need further information, please contact me directly at 301-442-0149. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Regards,
Lynn

