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From: Patric S. Enright

To: Rules and Executive Nominations Committee, Maryland House of Delegates

Subject: Support for House Bill-1495 (HB-1495) (Constitutional Amendment)

I recognize that the ramifications of the recent decision from the Supreme Court of the United States (Court) in the *Rucho et al. v. Common Cause et al.* and *Lamone et al. v. Benisek et al.* cases addressing partisan, political congressional districts gerrymandering, can apply to the process for restructuring legislative districts in Maryland.

I believe that HB-1495 sets forth a reasonable and realistic method to address any necessary restructuring of Maryland's legislative districts subsequent to the 2020 census. This method parallels that proposed in HB-1460 for restructuring congressional districts and provides succinct and fair criteria to be applied to all legislative districts whose construction falls under the purview of Maryland's Constitution.

I fully support this amendment proposal, HB- 1495, and urge this Committee to render a favorable report. In addition, I also urge all House of Delegates members to vote for HB-1495 and send it to the Maryland voters for the November 2020 election.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patric S. Enright". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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