

CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND

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The Honorable Paul Corderman 5 Public Square, Suite 210 Hagerstown, MD 21740

RE: SUPPORT OF HB1275 – CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – INMATE RELEASE (SUZANNE

JONES ACT)

Dear Delegate Corderman:

The purpose of this letter is to convey the City of Hagerstown's full support of HB1275 entitled **Correctional Services – Inmate Release (Suzanne Jones Act).** This Bill requires the Division of Correction to transport a certain inmate from a certain correctional facility to a certain jurisdiction after the inmate is released from a State correctional facility. Currently inmates housed in the State Correctional Facility located in Hagerstown, Maryland, are then released locally. This Bill would require that the inmate be returned to the jurisdiction that was:

- 1. listed on an identification card or drivers license that is compliant with the federal real ID Act of 2005 and is issued by the Motor Vehicle Administration to the inmate; or,
- 2. recorded by the Correctional Facility at the time the inmate entered the Correction Facility; or,
- 3. the last known residence before incarceration, as determined by the decennial census; or,

Additionally, once the inmate is released as stated above, the Division of Parole and Probation shall supervise any required probation, parole, or mandatory supervision of the inmate in that jurisdiction.

Should you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN

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Mayor of Hagerstown, Maryland

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