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March 3rd, 2021

Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair
Budget & Taxation Committee
3 West, Senate Miller Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 881 – FAVORABLE – Income Tax – Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Dear Chairman Guzzone and Committee Members:

The Maryland Asphalt Association is comprised of 18 producer members representing more than 48 production facilities, 20 contractor members, 24 consulting engineer firms and 40 other associate members. Combined our members employ more than 4,000 Marylanders in our operations. We assist with the education of our workforce, sponsor safety activities and promote best practices while working diligently to produce the highest performing pavement materials with the lowest carbon footprint. We proactively work with regulatory agencies to represent the interests of the asphalt industry both in the writing and interpretation of state and federal regulations that may affect our members. We also advocate for adequate state and federal funding for Maryland's multimodal transportation system.

We strongly support SB 881 as it helps those who have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of this pandemic, our industry has been forced to fight many uphill battles. The economic crisis has also negatively affected those who rely on our services. The money saved on this tax credit can go back to the people of Maryland by allowing us to focus on our most pressing issues. This includes improving our fractured infrastructure system and continuing to evolve with the ever-changing technology. We believe it is paramount to address the economic problems we are currently facing, and this bill does just that. We appreciate the thought and effort that the Sponsor put into this bill. For these reasons, we ask you for a FAVORABLE report on Senate Bill 881.

We thank you for your time and consideration.

Thank you,

Marshall Klinefelter
President
Maryland Asphalt Association

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RE: SB 881 – FAVORABLE – Income Tax – Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Dear Chairman Guzzone and Committee Members:

The Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association (“MTBMA”) has been and continues to serve as the voice for Maryland’s construction transportation industry since 1932. Our association is comprised of 200 members. MTBMA encourages, develops, and protects the prestige of the transportation construction and materials industry in Maryland by establishing and maintaining respected relationships with federal, state, and local public officials.

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Michael Sakata
President and CEO
Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association

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**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE
SENATE BUDGET AND TAX COMMITTEE**

March 3, 2021

Senate Bill 881: Income Tax - Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Written Testimony Only

POSITION: FAVORABLE

On behalf of the members of the Health Facilities Association of Maryland (HFAM), we appreciate the opportunity to express our support for Senate Bill 881: Income Tax - Work Opportunity Tax Credit.

HFAM represents over 170 skilled nursing centers and assisted living communities in Maryland, as well as nearly 80 associate businesses that offer products and services to healthcare providers. Our members provide services and employ individuals in nearly every jurisdiction of the state. HFAM members provide the majority of post-acute and long-term care to Marylanders in need: 6 million days of care across all payer sources annually, including more than 4 million Medicaid days of care and one million Medicare days of care. Thousands of Marylanders across the state depend on the high-quality services that our skilled nursing and rehabilitation centers offer every day.

Senate Bill 881 is an important Maryland extension of the federal program that seeks to tangibly increase employment among under employed individuals and underserved communities. Enactment of this bill will enhance the employment prospects and career opportunities of veterans, qualified summer youth employees, vocational rehabilitation referral applicants, qualified long-term unemployment recipients, qualified SSI recipients, previously incarcerated individuals, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients, as well as other underserved and underemployed individuals in the Maryland workforce.

This legislation will allow more Marylanders to share their strengths through employment for the betterment of our state and personally advance themselves and their families. In addition, this legislation in Maryland will advance a federal policy to aid employers across all sectors, allowing them to grow and build their teams.

For these reasons, we request a favorable report from the Committee on Senate Bill 881.

Submitted by:

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