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Annapolis, Maryland 21401 ST. MARY'S COUNTY DELEGATION

Senator Paul Pinsky Chair Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

HB 527- St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission – Equal Treatment SUPPORT

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Members of the Committee,

HB 527 amends the language of the St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission, by removing specifically named groups, and stating simply:

"The Commission shall: encourage and ensure equal treatment of all people in compliance with Federal, State, and local law and regulations related to housing, employment, and public accommodations."

The St. Mary's County Board of County Commissioners support this bill, and the St. Mary's County Delegation supports HB 527 by a unanimous vote. We ask that the committee give HB 527 with amendment a favorable report.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

Matt Morgan

Chair, St. Mary's County Delegation