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## Senate Bill 746 – Education – Community Colleges – Collective Bargaining SUPPORT

Members of the Finance Committee:

Hello my name is Janaina Rocha, I'm an adjunct instructor for PG Community College since 2006 at the Skilled Trade Center building in Camp Springs MD, I'm a B.M.E and standalone Homeowners class instructor in the areas of how to repair Drywall, Basic Electric, Plumbing and Ceramic. I am writing to you in support of the Senate Bill 746 – Education – Community Colleges – Collective Bargaining.

I'm so excited about this movement for the fact that our passions will be recognized.

Through the years I have been able to work with adults from all walks of life. Many students joined my classes hoping to make a difference in their lives and in others lives. PGCC has given me the opportunity to pave or leave a footprint in many people's lives. It has also helped them leave an imprint in mind. That is why I am asking you to support adjunct professors and to pass the Senate Bill 746 – Education – Community Colleges – Collective Bargaining, I bring undeniable passion to my work and that passion needs to be emulated and given back from the institutions where I teach.

Covid- 19 has brought many uncertainties to my life and many professors alike, that is why today I ask and demand a seat at the table. Adjuncts need collective bargaining. I'm glad that we will have an opportunity for our voices to be heard and for a difference to be made.

I ask you to vote yes on SB 746 and strongly urge a favorable committee report.

In solidarity,

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