Written testimony in SUPPORT of H.B. 336

To lawmakers of the House Judiciary Committee,

As a resident of Baltimore City and close neighbor to the Johns Hopkins University main campus, I would like to offer my support for H.B. 336. At a time when there is debate on and exploration of what is effective policing in communities, I believe a private police force is the wrong move at the wrong time. Once this entity is established, residents in areas surrounding Johns Hopkins facilities would be policed by two overlapping forces, the university's and the city's. This is unacceptable, confusing and insulting.

If I might offer a bit of criticism to the medical establishment of Johns Hopkins ... why not invest time and funds into getting at the root cause of a problem and not throw money in a wrongheaded focus on the symptom?

Please lodge my support for this important legislation.

Sincerely, Matt Comer 204 W. 29th St. Baltimore, MD 21211