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Testimony:

As a student and history major at Johns Hopkins University I am well acquainted with the problematic history of the university in relation to the greater Baltimore community. The establishment of a private police force would only further exacerbate long-standing tensions and compromise the potential for meaningful community relationships, enforcing existing grievances. Calls for a more conscious interaction with Baltimore from the university are performative if they are not backed up by changes in policy, and going forward with a private police force—shown to already disproportionately negatively affect populations of color in existing implementations—is disingenuous. Furthermore, the expansive financial investment by the university in additional policing is indicative of misplaced priorities. This investment could be put to use providing adequate PPE and a 15\$ minimum wage to employees and workers in the community, or be used to seek alternative community interventions that are mutually beneficial to the safety and well-being of the university, its students and Baltimore.