



18 January 2022

The Honorable Paul Pinsky
Chair of the Education Health and Environmental Affairs Committee
2 West
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: Letter of Support for SB 0199
Sunset Extension Continuing the State Board of Architects

Dear Chairman Pinsky and members of the EHEA Committee:

On behalf of AIA Maryland and the nearly 2,000 Architects we represent, we ask for your support of this bill to continue the State Board of Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act.

We support this bill to continue the State Board of Architects and to allow the Board to continue to perform its duties to regulate the profession. The Maryland Board of Architects qualifies and licenses individuals seeking architectural licensure, issues permits to businesses practicing architecture and the Board regulates the practice of architecture under the provisions of State law.

The State Board of Architects provides, through regulation of the profession, for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our communities.

AIA Maryland and its membership care deeply about Maryland's built environment and we support this legislation to maintain the systems that regulate practice. AIA Maryland is delighted to support this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in red ink, appearing to read "L. Frank", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Laurence A. Frank, AIA
Director, Past President