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Dear Chair Barve and Members of the Committee:

The Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland has voted to offer **favorable** support for HB 880-Environment – Impact of Actions on Climate, Labor, and Environmental Justice. This legislation would allow the potential burden and/or harm of facilities to minority communities to be assessed on the front end and prohibit them from taking action.

When these facilities are built, they are disproportionately placed in or near Black and Brown communities and have negative long term effects on those communities. This bill protects the African Americans communities from environmental injustice. For these reasons, the Legislative Black Caucus of Maryland Inc. supports HB 880.

Respectfully,

Darryl Barnes

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