House Environment and Transportation Committee hearing

To: Hon. Kumar Barve, Chair

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Subj: **Please recommend favorable action for HB811**

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I live along the MD200 Intercounty Connector. It is a raceway. Please put yourself in my position. Vehicles and motorcycles terrorize drivers on the roadway, and terrorize residents inside and outside of their own home.

Inside our home, our toddler grandchildren drop whatever is in their hands (food, toys, books) in order to cover their ears when they hear oncoming racing vehicles and motorcycles. Outside our home, they do the same in addition to needing to be comforted. The sound is ear piercing.

Via nursery monitors, I see my grandchildren cover their ears to block racing motorcycle sounds, while in the process of falling asleep. How disturbing and pathetic is that?

These little ones don't know the origin of the sound or how it will ultimately affect them. Will the source appear in the yard where we're playing? Will the source appear in the bedroom during their sleep time? Frightening to say the least.

You've heard it before. Speeding kills. This is not about me and my family. It's about everyone in our community, everyone in our state, and those traveling through. We shouldn't have to feel fortunate when we make it from point A to point B alive. The racing on the MD200 Intercounty Connector needs to stop immediately. Allow people to have good stories to tell, instead of people telling stories about loved ones they've lost to reckless drivers.

Please install speed cameras on MD200 Intercounty Connector. Please assist our law enforcement. They deserve your consideration. They should not and cannot pursue drivers racing at top speeds. What have you got to lose? What have you got to gain? Why of course, LIVES. Lives of our law enforcement officers and the lives of everyone.

Please recommend favorable action for HB811. Thank you!

Respectfully,

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