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Maryland House of Delegates Environment and Transportation Committee

Dear Chairman Barve, Vice Chair Stein, and members of the Environment and Transportation Committee:

On behalf of the Town Council, I am writing in support of HB 381 – Municipalities – Charter Amendments - Notice. This bill provides a more effective and transparent means for municipalities to notify residents of charter amendments by publishing the amendments on their websites, in newsletters, by emails, and through the public mail. One time publication of these notices aimed directly at the residents of individual jurisdictions is a far more transparent means of communication.

We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of this bill and look forward to its passage.

Sincerely,

Barney Rush

Mayor

cc: Delegate Jared Solomon, Sponsor, House Bill 381

Delegate Al Carr

Delegate Emily Shetty