



Town of Garrett Park

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Senate Finance Committee
c/o Senator Delores Kelley, Chair
Senator Brian Feldman, Vice-Chair

Re: Support for SB 376

Dear Senators Kelley and Feldman and Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

I am writing to express the support of the Town of Garrett Park for SB 376 – County and Municipal Street Lighting Investment Act.

This enabling legislation will streamline the process for local governments interested in acquiring utility-owned street lights and assuming their ownership and maintenance. Conversion of utility-owned street lighting has been proven to improve service and reduce costs.

The Town of Garrett Park already owns and maintains the lights on Strathmore Avenue. The Town could easily assume maintenance responsibility for the decorative induction street lights on Town side streets if Pepco were to allow a transfer of ownership.

SB 376 would strengthen the original Maryland law enacted in 2007. The Town of Garrett Park played an active role in enactment of the 2007 legislation, and we are pleased to have the opportunity to support SB 376.

The Town of Garrett Park urges you to issue a favorable report for SB 376.

Sincerely,

Kacky Chantry

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Mayor

cc: Garrett Park Town Council
Barbara B. Matthews, Interim Town Manager