Thank God Honorable Guy Guzzone Chair, Senate Budget and Taxation Committee 3 West, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Senator Guzzone:

Lubavitch of Howard County DBA Chabad Ellicott City would like to express our strong support for Senate Bill 874, which would establish Community Safety Works as an ongoing program within the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. Established as a budget initiative within the Department, Community Safety Works has already provided valuable assistance to nonprofit organizations, businesses and local governments through targeted investments in crime prevention that impact community safety.

As a Synagogue and meeting space for the Jewish community, we are highly vulnerable and unfortunate targets of hate and violence. We would use the funds to strengthen our street visibility and access control and enhance our outdoor space to accommodate handicapped individuals. As well as to enhance our friendship garden.

Again, this is to request a favorable report on SB874 to continue this valuable program. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Yanky Baron Rabbi