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March 3, 2023

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

Dear Senator Guzzone:

Makom 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 (DHCD). Established as a budget initiative within the Department, Community Safety Works has already provided valuable assistance to nonprofit organizations like Makom through targeted investments in crime prevention that impact community safety.

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

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