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**BILL NO.:**           **HB 40**

**TITLE:**             **Places of Public Accommodation and Public Buildings -  
Gender-Inclusive Signage**

**SPONSOR:**         Delegate Solomon

**COMMITTEE:**      Economic Matters

**POSITION:**        **SUPPORT**

**DATE:**             February 8, 2023

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 40 – Places of Public Accommodation and Public Buildings - Gender-Inclusive Signage. This legislation would require single-occupancy public restrooms to be marked with gender inclusive signage.

Baltimore County is a proud supporter of its LGBTQIA+ residents and recognizes the importance of rethinking signage for a more inclusive Maryland. Single-occupancy restrooms are ubiquitous, and as such have no need to be restricted to any particular gender or gender identity. Baltimore County’s Office of Budget and Finance anticipates minimal fiscal impact to the County for implementing these necessary changes.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 34. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at [jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov](mailto:jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov).