## SENATE BILL 320 SUPPORT Natural Resources - Wildlife Advisory Commission - Membership

Senate Committee on Education, Energy, and the Environment Wednesday, February 15 at 1:00 p.m.

Dear Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and members of the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee:

Thank you for your public service and consideration of my testimony. We made a conscious decision (decades ago) to make Maryland our home, foregoing more favorable taxation, simply for the privilege of enjoying Maryland's natural beauty. Currently many variables are impacting the preservation of Maryland's natural resources, i.e., new diseases (ex., deer population exhibiting SARS-CoV-2 and chronic wasting disease), hunting day expansion, harvest limit increases, land development, etc.. It is imperative that an expert scientist in wildlife be an integral part of the Wildlife Advisory Commission to ensure our natural resources are being maintained for the benefit of all stakeholders and future generations.

I urge the committee to support SB 320.

Respectfully, Kate Corigliano