

## **Testimony in opposition of House Resolution HJ0004 - William Zwart.**

Good afternoon, Honorable Chair and members of the committee,

Is this really necessary?

Of all the priorities and important issues to be addressed by Maryland alone, not to mention the nation at large, reaffirming environmental human rights (which is arguably not actually a right), isn't exactly a priority for most Americans.

Let me ask you this: when was the last time you saw a large crowd blocking roads and waving signs, demanding their legislators reaffirm their "inalienable right to a healthful environment."

Yes, we should take care of the environment, but all this does is say, "yes, we should take care of the environment." It's like that toothpick with the frill on top that restaurants put in sandwiches. It looks nice, and makes you feel like you're getting a good deal, but in the end, it doesn't actually do anything.

I appreciate the sentiment, but this is kind of a waste of time, and shouldn't be sent to the floor, where it will take up a time slot that could otherwise be used for better legislation.

Thank you for your time.