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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve Environment and Taxation Committee Room 251, House Office Building 6 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: **SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT** House Bill 0983/Hunting, Wildlife Conservation, and Outdoor Recreation – Funding, Promotion, Management, Licenses, Permits, and Stamps

Dear Chair Barve and Members of the Environment and Taxation Committee:

I support House Bill 0983, Hunting, Wildlife Conservation, and Outdoor Recreation – Funding, Promotion, Management, Licenses, Permits, and Stamps except the provision to allow Sunday waterfowl hunting.

I fully support the majority of the bill, and agree that most of the newly presented items are in alignment with conservation hunting. However, the provision that would allow Sunday waterfowl hunting would be detrimental to the waterfowl populations and would be adversely affect quality of life of land owners and visitors alike on Sundays during waterfowl season.

Therefore, I urge you to amend HB0983 to remove the allowance for Sunday waterfowl hunting.

Sincerely,

Thomas Marvel

cc: The Honorable Nick Allen

The Honorable Marvin E. Holmes, Jr.

The Honorable Dana Jones

The Honorable Jeffrie E. Long, Jr.

The Honorable Natalie Ziegler