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Dear Delegates:

This letter is in support of HB 342 - Environment - Plastic Products - Postconsumer Recycled Content Program.

Annapolis Green has supported reduction in single-use plastic products, particularly beverage containers for many years. We have instituted programs to increased public awareness and inspire people to take action. However, we do this with knowledge that the recycling markets as they are today make it almost impossible to increase manufacturers' use of recycled products and action on the part of Marylanders to see that their recyclables are actually recycled.

HB342 will go a long way to helping this situation by promoting the development of markets for recycled materials while also creating new jobs for Marylanders and caring for our environment.

We encourage a positive vote on this bill.

Sincerely,

Elvia Thompson
Interim Director & Co-founder

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