

To whom this may concern,

My name is Ashley Northam and I reside at 612 Snow Hill Rd in Stockton, Maryland. I would like to submit this letter to show my support of the passing of HB467. I have lived in the Stockton area for over 20 years, owned horses for the majority of those years and have trail ridden most of those years throughout Worcester county on both state and private land. In all of those years, I have never had a negative encounter with a hunter while horseback riding. I currently am able to frequently ride week days during hunting season and, honestly, I generally don't have many encounters with hunters at all unless they are walking to or from their stands and those encounters have been nothing but pleasant. I personally believe the deer population in Maryland is thriving a little too well and a few extra days of hunting would be beneficial.