March 28, 2023

The Honorable Melony G. Griffith, Chair

Senate Finance Committee

Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing

11 Bladen Street

Annapolis, MD 21401 HB 1060

RE: HB 1060 - Cremation - Natural Organic Reduction Regulation: Support - Favorable with Amendments

Dear Chair Griffith:

I write to you to urge your favorable report on HB 1060 – Cremation – Natural Organic Reduction. As a resident of Garrett Park, MD, I am increasingly concerned with the rising cremation rate in Maryland, which both uses fossil fuels and releases carbon dioxide into our atmosphere. It is time to make greener funeral choices available. Natural Organic Reduction is a safe alternative with years of research behind it. I work hard to live sustainably, and I believe I should have the choice to die sustainably too.

Please vote YES on HB 1060.

Thank you,

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