

Donna Smith Maryland State Director Compassion & Choices

We, the Jewish Federation of Howard County and its Jewish Community Relations Committee are thrilled to see the introduction of "The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings and the Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass End-of-Life Options Act", SB0845/HB0933. While Judaism has always been a life centered faith, we understand that the spiritual needs of those suffering incurable condition must also be considered. We believe our religion recognizes the difference between prolonging life or just postponing death and so we endorse this bill without hesitation or reservation.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Gordon Fuller,

President

Jewish Federation of Howard County