

Environmental Human Rights

Rules and Executive Nominations Committee

HJ0001

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Dear Honorable Committee,

I am writing this simple letter to express my opinion as to the MD General Assembly's support of HJ0001 - Environmental Human Rights, reaffirming the Maryland Environmental Policy Act.

Full implementation of the Maryland Environmental Policy Act of 1973 over the past 50 would have better ensured that all Marylanders would be able to live in an environment that provides healthy air and water for all.

I have been involved in many local and state wide environmental organizations since 1990 that have embedded in me the commitment to do what I can to provide a healthy as well as sustainable MD for all generations, today and into the future. I am currently volunteering with several city organizations that function and exist in areas that do not have clean air and water. Frustrating to say the least.

What drives my "engine" is my faith in God, who's basic rule is that you Love God and you love the person that you are looking at. Enough said. That is what keeps my engine chugging, to have all present and future people have a "home" that is healthy.

I appreciate your thoughts as well as support for this resolution.

Charles Conklin

Selected Past and Present Volunteer involvement:

- Baltimore Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors
- Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake
- Baltimore County Commission on Environmental Quality
- Tributary Strategy Team, MD Save Our Streams
- Towson Presbyterian Church Earth Corps Committee
- Baltimore County Dept of Aging, Retired Senior Volunteer Program.