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## **Vote Yes on SB 41/House Bill 249**

**Bill Title: Baltimore City- Property Tax- Retroactive Exemption**

**Hearing Date: March 21, 2023, Ways and Means**

Mr. Chair and members of the Budget and Taxation Committee,

I write to you today in **support** of **SB 41/ House Bill 249**. This bill protects and provides not-for-profits organizations of Baltimore City from paying unnecessary property tax. The opportunity of tax exemption will be given to non-profit organizations upon request for a limited time. They will have access to retroactive exemptions for three taxable years.

Real property owners like Roberta's House will have coverage for them  
Real property owners will have coverage following this bill. Roberta's House is a Family Grief Center located in the heart of Baltimore. Unfortunately, they've encountered unintentional occurrences which can result in misfortune if this bill isn't approved.

The objective of having this in place is to grant organizations like Roberta's house a safe space for when unpredictable events may occur. The City of Baltimore will have permission to look at past documents to find the root of the issue. Regardless of whether the city, state, or not-for-profit is in error, the importance of providing a clear route to finding a solution.

For these reasons, I humbly request your support in approving **SB/41 House Bill 249**.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cory V. McCray".

Cory V. McCray

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