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February 8, 2024

The Honorable Pamela Beidle
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier
Finance Committee
3 East
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 0018 – Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccines
Letter of Opposition

Dear Chairman Beidle, Vice Chair Klausmeier and Members of the Finance Committee,

The County Council and the County Executive of Cecil County unanimously opposes SB 0018 - Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccines. The hearing on this legislation is scheduled for February 13, 2024.

It is our understanding that this legislation is authorizing a pharmacist to order and administer certain vaccinations to individuals in certain age groups if certain requirements are met; altering the vaccinations that a pharmacist can administer to individuals at least 5 years old; and altering the circumstances under which a pharmacist may administer certain vaccinations.

Supporting the rights of parents in the medical care of a minor is of the utmost importance to all our citizens and this bill will have an adverse impact on these rights. Cecil County strongly opposes this legislation.

The County Executive and County Council of Cecil County respectfully request that the Health and Government Operations Committee send an unfavorable report on SB 0018.

Sincerely,

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County Executive

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jackie Gregory".

Jackie Gregory
President of County Council