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The Honorable Marc Korman Chair, House Environment and Transportation Committee House Office Building, Room 251 6 Bladen St Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Marc Korman,

On behalf of the majority of the Women Legislators of Maryland members, we are writing to support HB148 Department of Transportation – Human Trafficking Awareness, Training, and Response (See Someone, Save Someone Act.).

This bill requires the Maryland Department of Transportation to develop and implement a certain training program for certain transportation-sector employees, taxicab drivers, and transportation network operators on the identification and reporting of human trafficking. This legislation ensures that certain employees of the Maryland Department of Transportation can identify the signs of human trafficking. The Women Legislators of Maryland fully support proactive measures of protection that can limit the number of human trafficking victims and therefore, offer full support for this bill.

Sincerely,

Delegate Edith J. Patterson

President