Kari Litteer HJ0008 Testimony 2/29/2024

My name is Kari Litteer and I am a Baltimore City resident. I am writing to testify in favor of HJ0008 condemning Islamophobia, Anti-Palestinian hate, and Antisemitism.

I am writing today as someone who continues to bear witness to fear tactics and xenophobia that I first witnessed in the wake of 9/11/2001 as a child.

I feel the need to testify like anyone witnessing the ramifications worldwide of what is happening in Gaza at the hands of the Israeli government, especially working for a Jewish nonprofit that centers its focus on justice in the DMV area.

We need to call out hateful language when we hear it and hold people accountable to the harm they cause.

Thank you for your time, Councilmembers.

Most sincerely, Kari Litteer