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Dear Members of the Maryland General Assembly,

On behalf of the Transit Caucus, we are writing to express our endorsement of **HB450 Maryland Transit Administration – Disability Reduced Fare Program – Renewal for Permanently Disabled Individuals**. As advocates for transportation-related legislation before the General Assembly, we believe this bill is essential to our mission of ensuring a more sustainable, efficient, and accessible transit system for all residents. We are confident that its passage will have a positive impact on our communities, economy, and environment.

HB450 requires the Maryland Transit Authority to automatically renew the Disability Reduced Fare Program certification of an enrollee who is permanently disabled. This bill would help create equity in transit access, as an enrollee would not need to reapply for the Disability Reduced Fare Program once their application expires. The Transit Caucus has heard from disability advocates across the state that this legislation is vital to help improve transit for users.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this bill. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We look forward to working with you as we build a better Maryland transportation system for all.

Thank you,

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