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Senate Bill 168 – SUPPORT

Senate Bill 168 – Environment

Senate Committee on Education, Energy, and the Environment

“Environmental Justice in Confined Aquatic Disposal Act”

My name is Dawn Hegarty. I am a resident of the Riviera Beach Community located in Northern Anne Arundel County, Pasadena Maryland.

I have been a resident and homeowner of Northern Anne Arundel County, 21122 since 1987, along with real property invested in Curtis Bay 21226, Baltimore City for the same time period.

I am a member and volunteer of the Riviera Community Improvement Association non-profit organization since on or before 2010 and a new member to the Curtis Bay Association. A certified AACO Master Watershed Steward since 2022 for aiding in environmental change.

I strongly support SB 168, for Environmental Justice in Confined Aquatic Disposal Act. Our health matters! It is a known fact of the high levels of heart disease, cancers, learning disabilities, asthma, associated with the shared toxic pollution in our overburden communities that are in or in close proximity of industry. Our Historical Patapsco River is one of the largest tributaries to the Chesapeake Bay.

Our Historical Patapsco River and the residents within & throughout need SB 168 for the protection & safeguards from the repeat injustices of pollution mishaps & the unseen shared contaminates to our watershed. We can't take no more! For the love of God, please support SB 168.

Thank you. Dawn Hegarty

