

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 Ruth Ann Thuman I live in the community of Riviera Beach in Northern Anne Arundel County.

I live on Bay Rd. I have lived in the community for 65 years. I enjoy the waterfront. I enjoy the wildlife (dolphins, sea life, birds, etc.) My kids and grandkids use the water and I'm concerned about the health of the water and any damage this may do.

It is important that environmental justice is supported in pollution-overburdened communities near the Patapsco River and that the river, its waterways, and communities near these waterways are not subjected to further pollution risks posed by Confined Aquatic Disposal of dredge material. I STRONGLY SUPPORT SB 168 which will address longstanding environmental injustices on the Patapsco and protect pollution-impacted communities and waterways from further pollution caused by Confined Aquatic Disposal.

Sincerely,

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