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Environment and Transportation Committee
250 Taylor House Office Building
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: SUPPORT HB 0001, Department of Transportation - Human Trafficking Awareness, Training, and Response (See Someone, Save Someone Act)

Dear Chair Gorman, Vice Chair Boyce and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee

The Randallstown NAACP is a 500 member branch located in Baltimore County, Maryland. We have members in Baltimore County and Baltimore City. One of primary focuses is ensuring the quality of life for all residents in Baltimore County free of discrimination.

The Randallstown NAACP supports HB 0001, Department of Transportation - Human Trafficking Awareness, Training, and Response (See Someone, Save Someone Act)

Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery that occurs every day in the United States, including in Maryland. In 2021, the National Human Trafficking Resource Center identified 751 reports of human trafficking, with Maryland having the 13th highest signal volume in the country. Of these reports, 279 came directly from trafficking survivors and only 16 came from medical professionals.

Human Trafficking is an issue in Baltimore County at the following hotels: Howard Johnson Pikesville, Ramada- Pikesville, Ramada Catonsville, Six Motel Catonsville, Rodeway Inn Security, Quality Inn Security, Red Roof Inn Security, Super 8 Security. The branch with Baltimore County Police And Baltimore government to fight human trafficking. We need more tools to fight this war. We need more individuals that can identify human trafficking. HB 0001 gives us another tool to win this war.

The Randallstown Branch of the NAACP urges a favorable report from the committee on HB 0001.

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yours

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