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**THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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To: Delegate Marc Korman, Chair  
Delegate Regina T. Boyce, Vice Chair  
Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee

The Maryland Women's Caucus is proud to express our unanimous support for HB911: Real Property - Landlord and Tenant - Family Child Care Homes. This important legislation provides necessary protections for tenants who operate family child care homes while ensuring reasonable guidelines for landlords.

Family child care homes play a crucial role in supporting Maryland's working families, particularly women who often bear primary caregiving responsibilities. These homes offer accessible, community-based child care services that allow parents, especially mothers, to remain in or return to the workforce with confidence that their children are cared for in safe, nurturing environments.

HB911 helps to address the growing demand for child care by preventing landlords from unreasonably limiting or prohibiting family child care homes. This bill ensures that landlords can require appropriate security deposits, striking a fair balance between tenant rights and property owner interests. By fostering an environment that supports family child care providers, this legislation expands access to quality, affordable child care options across the state.

The positive impact on Maryland's families, particularly women, is significant. Access to reliable child care services is directly linked to workforce participation, economic stability, and community well-being. HB911 empowers women who seek to operate these vital businesses while giving parents more local, trusted options for child care.

We respectfully urge the Environment and Transportation Committee to issue a favorable report for HB911. This legislation is an essential step toward promoting family-friendly policies that benefit children, support women-led businesses, and strengthen Maryland's communities.

Thank you for your consideration and your continued dedication to the well-being of Maryland's families.