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Senator Pam Beidle Chair Finance Committee Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Senator Beidle:

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed legislation to establish a temporary to-go event permit and a Class C per diem municipal to-go beer, wine, and liquor license in Wicomico County. This bill provides a much-needed opportunity for local businesses and municipalities to responsibly expand their services while enhancing economic growth and community engagement.

By allowing the Board of License Commissioners for Wicomico County to issue temporary to-go event permits to Class B license holders and municipalities, this legislation will provide more flexibility for businesses and event organizers. This is particularly beneficial for small businesses, local festivals, and community gatherings that contribute significantly to the county's economic and cultural vitality.

Furthermore, by requiring the Board to adopt regulations to oversee these licenses, the bill ensures responsible implementation, maintaining public safety while supporting economic development. The temporary nature of the permits also allows for careful monitoring and adjustments as needed to best serve Wicomico County residents and businesses.

I urge the Senate Finance Committee to support and advance this legislation, as it presents a balanced approach to supporting local businesses, promoting tourism, and fostering a vibrant community atmosphere. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

WHEOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

Julie M. Giordano County Executive

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SENATOR MARY BETH CAROZZA CHAIR



THE SENATE OF MARYLAND Annapolis, Maryland 21401 WICOMICO COUNTY DELEGATION

February 21, 2025

Senator Pam Beidle Chair Finance Committee Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Annapolis, MD 21401

## RE: LETER OF SUPPORT SB798 Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Temporary To-Go Event Permit and Class C Per Diem Municipal To-Go Beer, Wine, and Liquor License

The Wicomico County Senate Delegation supports SB798 Wicomico County – Alcoholic Beverages – Temporary To-Go Event Permit and Class C Per Diem Municipal To-Go Beer, Wine, and Liquor License

We thank you for your committee's consideration of the bill and request a favorable report.

Sincerely, Senator Johnny Mautz

District 37 Caroline, Dorchester, Talbot and Wicomico Counties

Senator Mary Beth Carozza District 38 Somerset, Worchester, and Wicomico