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Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 1013 – Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – License Extension

March 11, 2025

Chair Beidle, Vice-Chair Hayes, and members of the Finance Committee,

Thank you for your consideration of Senate Bill 1013 – *Baltimore City – Alcoholic Beverages – License Extension*, which seeks to extend the expiration date of a Class B–D–7 alcoholic beverages license for Coppermine Café, located at 5736 Falls Road in Baltimore City. This bill would ensure that the license does not expire until July 1, 2026, for the purpose of completing a transfer of ownership and renewal at the same location.

Coppermine Café transferred a BD-7 license in 2023 from the Curb Shoppe, a previous establishment at the same address. After the license transfer, Coppermine management undertook substantial renovations to the licensed premises. These renovations, coupled with the decision not to open the business for public service during this period, led to a situation where, by March 2024, the license was considered expired due to inactivity for more than 180 days without any alcoholic beverage purchases.

Senate Bill 1013 is simply a renewal of Coppermine Café's license, ensuring they can operate as originally intended. Thank you for your time and consideration of this legislation. I respectfully urge you to support this bill to allow Coppermine Café to continue to operate and thrive in our community.

Sincerely.

Senator Dalya Attar