

**Required Information:**

HB0711 Office of Cemetery Oversight - Study of Deathcare and Funeral Practices

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**Written Testimony:**

My name is Jennifer Johnson and in 2023 I Founded the Friends of St. Peter's Cemetery. The cemetery was opened in 1851 and is the hallowed ground for approximately 15,000 individuals who worked and lived in West Baltimore.

At some point in time unfortunately every person in our state will die. We sadly lost many people unexpectedly during these last several years because of the COVID19 pandemic. It is important for us as a state to ensure proper environmental health. With more and more people opting for cremation it is important for us to understand how death care and funeral practices effect our environment.

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Sincerely,

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