

Support the Protecting Sensitive Locations Act (SB0828)

Dear Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee,

We are the <u>Maryland Just Power Alliance</u>, a coalition of 3 non-partisan community power organizations: <u>Action in Montgomery</u> (AIM), <u>Anne Arundel Connecting Together</u> (ACT), and <u>People</u> <u>Acting Together in Howard</u> (PATH), representing tens of thousands of Maryland residents. We organize with people in congregations, schools, and neighborhoods to build power for policies that make our communities more fair and livable for everyone. We are asking you to support the Protecting Sensitive Locations Act (SOB828) when it is considered by the Judicial Proceedings Committee.

The Protecting Sensitive Locations Act is crucial for protecting our congregations as sacred spaces to worship and our schools as safe spaces for our children. This bill will make a difference by providing clear guidance for these sensitive locations on how to respond to interactions with ICE and protect people's rights. We urge you to pass this bill out of your committee without delay so that, as an emergency bill, it can be signed by the Governor as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.