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House Environment and Transportation Committee
Maryland House of Delegates
House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Marc Korman and the House Environment and Transportation Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 950, the County and Municipal Street Lighting Investment Act. It is reasonable for local governments to assume responsibility for street lights in their jurisdictions by purchasing them if they choose to do so. As enabling legislation, it would not compel any county or municipality to act, but only to give them the ability to choose.

This is an environmental, public safety, and fiscal concern for localities. Local governments will have the opportunity and incentive to install more efficient LED fixtures and maintain them. This will benefit the residents of the communities and require less electricity use.

Local governments currently pay utilities large sums to light streets, but are limited in their ability to manage the lights. This would give the localities the ability to change this, which is why I support HB 950 and urge its passage.

Sincerely,

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