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The Honorable Heather Bagnall
Chair, House Health Committee
241 Taylor House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Pamela Beidle
3 East Miller Senate Office Building
11 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Bagnall, Chair Beidle, and Members of the Committees:

For All Seasons writes in **support of HB922/SB702 - Behavioral Health Administration - Behavioral Health Program Relocation - Regulations.**

This legislation would require the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) to adopt regulations authorizing a behavioral health program to relocate to another site. Currently, BHA requires established providers that are relocating their offices to apply for approval as a new applicant rather than providing a separate, more streamlined process for a simple change of address.

For All Seasons is a licensed behavioral health and rape crisis center that has served the State of Maryland for 40 years. We were recently impacted by the existing policy. Although our license number, leadership, and services were remaining the same, we were required to complete a new provider application and were placed in the same queue as new applicants. As a result, we were required to maintain two offices and pay duplicate lease payments for nearly one year. The delay also caused us to incur double operational costs for approximately four months. This created operational uncertainty and added undue burdens as they worked to ensure that clients did not experience service interruptions.

To avoid these delays in the future, we recommend that a distinct and expedited process for Change of Address Requests be created for existing licensed providers that are in good standing with BHA. This process could also include provisional operation approval once safety and compliance standards are met, allowing providers to transition without interruption of services. Having defined timelines and guidance specific to relocation requests would also help ensure transparency and consistency.

For these reasons, For All Seasons respectfully urges a **FAVORABLE** report on HB922/SB702.

Respectfully submitted,

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President & CEO