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I am writing to express my support for House Bill 173 – State Natural Science Museum – Natural History Society of Maryland.

The Natural History Society of Maryland plays an important role in promoting scientific education, environmental awareness, and public engagement with the natural world. By supporting the development and recognition of a State Natural Science Museum, House Bill 173 will help expand opportunities for students, educators, researchers, and families to learn more about Maryland’s natural history and scientific heritage.

Institutions like the Natural History Society of Maryland serve as valuable community resources that inspire curiosity, encourage educational exploration, and strengthen appreciation for the diverse ecosystems and natural resources found throughout our state. Establishing a State Natural Science Museum will further these goals while providing an additional educational and cultural asset for Maryland residents and visitors alike.

I fully support House Bill 173 and look forward to its continued consideration in the General Assembly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johnny Ray Salling".

Senator Johnny Ray Salling