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Delegate Joseline Pena-Melnyk
Speaker of the House
Maryland General Assembly
H-101 State House
100 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Speaker of the House:

On behalf of the Montgomery County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), I submit this testimony in support of House Bill 2100.

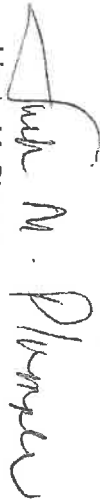
A core principle of the NAACP is the protection of the integrity of our democratic system. Unfortunately, recent national developments have eviscerated the Voting Rights Act, leading to congressional districts throughout the nation that have undermined the basic democratic principle of one-person one vote.

We applaud the leaders of the Maryland legislature for creating a mechanism that will allow the people of Maryland to have a voice on this critically important national issue.

This bill, if passed by the legislature and affirmatively supported by a majority of Maryland voters in November, will clarify the ability of the Maryland Supreme Court to decide questions of the suitability of Maryland Congressional districts.

In essence, this measure will allow Maryland voters to determine whether the Maryland Constitution should be amended to allow Maryland Courts to weigh in on whether Congressional Districts adequately represent Maryland residents. Therefore, we believe that this bill will further the cause of democracy and create Congressional representation that reflects the interests of most Maryland voters.

We urge a favorable report on this bill. Thank you.


Linda M. Plummer
President

Cc: Executive Committee