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TO: The Honorable Matthew Schindler

RE: House Bills 0047 and 0160

I firmly support both of these Bills.

The atrocities committed against African Americans during the Confederacy need to be rectified. There was no accountability of any kind for the lynchings, mistreatment and Jim Crow institutional practices toward African Americans throughout the Confederacy.

The intended goal of HB 0047 and 0160 is to provide some measure of atonement for the lives lost and the immense psychological physical abuse suffered by African Americans under the Confederacy.

Eliminating the names of existing roads, streets, subdivisions, structures, etc. in the State of Maryland named after Confederate entities is a necessary and responsible action to rectify the wrongs committed and demonstrate that the State of Maryland champions this conviction.

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