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**LETTER OF SUPPORT  
HOUSE BILL 1114**

March 2, 2026

Chair Bagnall, Vice Chair Cullison, and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the LGBTQ+ Caucus, we are writing to express our support of **HB1114: HIV Prevention Drugs – Prescribing, Dispensing, and Insurance Coverage**. As advocates of the LGBTQ+ community in the General Assembly, we believe this bill will protect, strengthen, and secure health care for all LGBTQ+ residents.

HB1114 would authorize pharmacists to prescribe and dispense preexposure and postexposure prophylaxis for HIV prevention (PrEP and PeP) to patients under certain circumstances. This bill would also prohibit managed care organizations, insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from requiring preauthorization for PrEP or step therapy, or cost sharing for PrEP or post exposure prophylaxis for HIV prevention (PEP). Systemic anti-LGBTQ+ discrimination caused and exacerbated conditions of homelessness, unemployment, and lack of health insurance, and HIV spread in the LGBTQ+ community disproportionately leading to stereotyping and stigma. As a result, HIV continues to impact members of the LGBTQ+ community, with disparate rates for trans men and women, even as Marylanders outside of the LGBTQ+ community are the fastest increasing demographic of new cases. As such, the benefits and effects of passing this bill will create a positive and long-lasting change for all Marylanders' access to care, especially as federal funding support for these medications evaporates under the Trump administration.

Thank you for considering the bill's positive effects on the LGBTQ+ community. Please reach out to us regarding any additional questions or concerns on the bill. We appreciate your efforts in fostering community and furthering rights for all Marylanders.

Respectfully,

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Delegate Kris Fair  
Chair