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The Honorable Delegate Heather Bagnall  
241 Taylor House Office Building  
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RE: Support for HB 424 Continuing Care in a Retirement Community Providers-  
Governing Bodies Membership

Dear Chair Bagnall,

I am writing to you as Chair of the Health Committee. My Delegates, Kerr, Fair and Simpson, have introduced the bill above on behalf of their constituents who live in Continuing Care Residential Communities (CCRCs). This bill will benefit not only residents in their districts but also those who pay considerable fees to reside in CCRCs throughout Maryland by giving them a voice in how decisions by the management of their communities will be made. I urge you to support and give a favorable report to this bill.

I live in a CCRC in Frederick County (Homewood at Frederick) In 2023 The Board of Trustees of the Corporation without the knowledge of or input from the residents of the community had made radical changes to the Mission Statement for the community from one I received when I moved in 2024. Those changes were not made known to the residents until 2025. The Mission Statement was switched from providing services to its residents to imposing a religious ministry and requiring religious tests for all management employees. All of this was hidden from residents and applicants alike. It caused confusion among the residents and may deter future applicants from coming to and supporting the community.

All of the above could have been avoided if there had been resident representation on the Board of Trustees. HB424 will make such representation possible. I respectfully request you to support and give a favorable report to HB424. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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