

**Testimony on Senate Bill – Favorable**

**SB 0001 – Public Safety– Law Enforcement Officers – Prohibition on Face Coverings**

**Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee**

**January 22, 2026**

Dear Honorable Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Betsy Krieger and I am a resident of Baltimore City. I am writing in support of SB0001– Public Safety – Law Enforcement Officers – Prohibition on Face Coverings

I find it incredible that this is even a question. What Country do we live in? Have we turned into a Country that permits masked men to disappear our residents? If law enforcement agents are doing a legitimate job, they must be identifiable. And if they can't be, how do we distinguish them from simple criminals. The answer is- we can't!

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the committee to issue a **favorable report** on **SB 0001**.

Thank you for your time and consideration.