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**LETTER OF SUPPORT
HOUSE BILL 0014**

February 24, 2026

Chair Wilkins, Vice Chair Feldmark, and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the LGBTQ+ Caucus, we are writing to express our support of **HB0014: County Boards of Education – Bullying, Harassment, or Intimidation – Information Collection and Reporting Requirements**. As advocates for the LGBTQ+ community in the General Assembly, we believe this bill will create a positive and long-lasting change for LGBTQ+ residents and all of Maryland.

HB0014 would alter the contents of a certain bullying, harassment, or intimidation form to require the identification of personal characteristics, if the incident is believed to have been motivated by actual or perceived personal characteristics. These characteristics include race, national origin, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, ancestry, physical attributes, socioeconomic status, familial status, or physical or mental ability. Transgender, nonbinary, and gender non-conforming individuals face higher rates of harassment than their cisgender peers, which contributes to higher rates of depression and suicide. This bill would require schools to maintain records of bullying and harassment for minority and marginalized individuals, thereby encouraging greater accountability while enabling schools to identify patterns of discrimination and take proactive steps to prevent future instances.

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.

Respectfully,

Delegate Kris Fair
Chair