

THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HOWARD COUNTY 8360 COURT AVENUE ELLICOTT CITY, MARYLAND 21043

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Howard County Council
Honorable Jon Weinstein, Chair
Honorable Calvin Ball, Vice Chair
Honorable Jennifer Terrasa
Honorable Mary Kay Sigaty
Honorable Greg Fox
3430 Courthouse Drive
George Howard Building
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Dear Mr. Weinstein, Dr. Ball, Ms. Terassa, Ms. Sigaty and Mr. Fox:

Thank you for your continuing commitment to and consideration of a new circuit courthouse in Howard County. As you know there were several locations considered. The proposed recommended site is Bendix Road which Howard County already owns.

Many of you know that my husband and I own property on Route 108. Because the Bendix site is near a property owned by me and my husband, I wanted to be sure that all of our public officials, and anyone involved in the decision-making process is fully aware. We originally purchased the property back in 1980 and used it for office rentals. The property was rezoned to B-1 back in 2013 and is in the process of redevelopment for retail and offices. Actual construction renovation will likely begin next month.

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There are a significant number of other office, retail and industrial centers in the same area. While our property is not unique, I thought it best to make sure a public disclosure is made.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information or answer any additional questions you might have.

Respectfully,

Lenore R. Gelfman

LRG/pr

cc: Honorable Allan H. Kittleman (via email)