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Subject: Am 1 to CB 22

Dear Councilpersons Sigaty and Ball,

The County Executive and I had an opportunity to meet with Councilperson Sigaty earlier this week. During that meeting, she explained your amendment to CB 22, the farm setback bill. We are concerned by your amendment (Am 1 to CB 22) and its impact on currently existing homes that are adjacent to farms in the RC and RR Districts. These homeowners purchased their homes with an expectation as to setbacks from animal shelters on adjacent farms. Your amendment would change the rules after those homeowners relied upon them. As you know, our legislation would have the change in setbacks apply prospectively so that new developments and homeowners could purchase their homes with an understanding of the setbacks applicable to their homes. To change the setbacks for homeowners in already-existing developments changes the nature of what they believed they purchased. For this reason, the County Executive cannot support your amendment. If you would like to discuss this issues, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you,

Diane

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CB22-2017, with Amendment 1, In Favor Of

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Dear Howard County Council:

I want to thank you for your efforts regarding CB22-2017. I believe Amendment 1 offers a balanced compromise for all. I encourage you to vote in favor of CB22-2017 and Amendment 1. I plan on attending tonight's meeting however there will be fewer farmers there because the Agricultural Land Preservation Board is having a retirement dinner for Lynn Moore as her term on the board has ended. As always, thank you for your time and consideration.

Very Truly Yours,

Keith Ohlinger Heritage Hill Farm