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Dear Members of the County Council,

I fully support CB41, to establish a Community Zoning Case Navigator. The context provided in the "Purpose" section of the bill faithfully reflects challenges faced by the community and residents in issues related to land use in Howard County.

I hope that the Community Zoning Case Navigator will be able to assist residents, community associations, etc.:

- Regardless of whether those residents have organized into an official community association or similar. Ad hoc groups representing concerned residents should be allowed.
- Regardless of the type of land use case it is, not limited to only zoning.

I understand by reading the bill that this is the case, but would like to highlight this.

Best,

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Good afternoon, County Council Members,

As I won't be able to attend this evening's meeting, I wanted to email you with my approval of establishing such a position.

I have been involved with the Bethany Glen proposal for Over-55 Housing for over 3 years now. It has been cumbersome, to say the least, for any citizen to understand and navigate their way through the conditional use process. With so many various county agencies weighing in on the conditional use process, it has become necessary to have a focal point of contact. Let's face it, the various County Departments know what to expect and what is required as well as the lawyers. It's not straightforward at all for the citizens, which is frustrating and counterproductive. I would have to believe that county employees, in their efforts to answer a citizen's question, spend a lot of time answering the same questions that a Community Zoning Case Navigator could readily answer without involving numerous County Departments.

Thank you for your time. I am in favor of CB 41-2019.

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