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Thank you, members of Howard County Council, for this opportunity to testify and express my desire to be a member of the Personnel Board of Howard County. I am a Park Ranger Operations Supervisor I, that has served the public within the Recreation and Parks Department since March 2013. It is an honor to be considered as an employee member and provide representation for my peers as a member of the County Government's classified staff. As a potential employee member of the board, it is my objective to continue the efforts to promote and improve the efficiency and quality of the public service provided by the County. It has been an overwhelming experience to see members of our local public safety community respond to emergencies and join many of my co-workers and assist with clean-up efforts after the June 2016 Tornado, recovery efforts during the 2016 and 2018 Ellicott City flood disasters and support efforts during the Covid-19 Pandemic. I would like to utilize my ten years of experience within County Government to provide insight on matters that directly relate to employees of our various departments and those represented by bargaining units. Lastly, I would like to identify that I am a third-generation civil servant and the son of a Human Resources professional who has served the Federal Government for nearly 30 years. I understand the diligent and tedious work that members of this career field dedicate to all they serve. It is my intention to put forth the same amount of dedication and effort in my service to the people of Howard County. I look forward to your consideration on this Council Resolution and I thank you for your time.