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Dear Howard County Public Information Office and County Council,

I hope you are doing well. My name is Ashanti Nollie, and I am a student at Howard Community College who relies on financial aid to receive an education. I work hard to balance my studies and personal responsibilities, and financial aid has been instrumental in allowing me to pursue my goals.

It would be devastating for me and countless other students I know if financial aid changes directly affect our ability to access education. Many of us rely on these resources to afford tuition and build better futures for ourselves and our families.

I kindly urge the Howard County leadership to advocate for the protection and continuation of financial aid programs that support students in our community. Education is a fundamental pathway to success, and these resources are crucial for many of us to reach our potential.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Ashanti Nollie