From: loflahavan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 28, 2025 2:45 PM

To: CouncilMail

**Subject:** Testimony Opposing CB30-2025

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Hello,

I'm a Maryland resident who uses Swimply to access a safe private pool in Howard County. I use it on occasion to allow my dog with severe elbow dysplasia (2 previous surgeries) to have easy access to calm cool exercise during the very hot summer. She is an extremely friendly and happy golden retriever who almost never barks. We only visit for an hour at a time, don't take up extra street parking, play no music, and only visit fully fenced pools. We don't have parties and never bring extra people. We are polite, clean, and respectful to the host, neighbors, and county.

Instead of banning Swimply, I ask the Council to consider regulations that allow Swimply to continue serving local families. I would not be opposed to limitations on late night parties, noise restrictions, size of rental groups, etc.

But please allow me to take my injured dog swimming. The local rivers are full of bacteria, parasites, and fish hooks, and dog aren't allowed in public pools and beaches. If Swimply is banned, please build a new local dog beach with non polluted natural water.

Please vote NO on CB30-2025.

Sincerely, Linnae OFlahavan

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S24+, an AT&T 5G smartphone

From: Mac Howard <mhoward1662@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, July 28, 2025 4:25 PM

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Dear Howard County Council Members,

I'm a longtime Howard County resident and a parent of three. I wanted to share how important Swimply has been for our family, and to respectfully ask that you vote **NO on CB30-2025**.

Over the past few summers, Swimply has allowed us to safely enjoy time together at local pools we wouldn't otherwise have access to. With three kids, it's been a lifesaver — giving us a clean, quiet space to cool off, especially when public pools are too crowded or far away.

I understand the concerns some people have, but a complete ban feels like the wrong solution. We absolutely support reasonable rules — things like safety requirements, limiting large parties, or setting quiet hours. But banning Swimply entirely would take away something good from families like mine, who are just looking for safe, simple summer fun.

Please don't let a few bad actors ruin this for everyone. We believe there's a way to make it work for both neighborhoods and responsible users.

Again, I'm asking you to **please vote NO on CB30-2025** and consider thoughtful regulation instead of a full ban.

Thank you for your time and for listening.

Sincerely, Mackenzie Howard

Let me know if you'd like it shortened or adapted for a specific council member.

Do you like this personality?

From: Sara Glaz <saraglaz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 28, 2025 4:48 PM

**To:** CouncilMail **Subject:** Swimply

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Hello.

I'm a Maryland resident who uses Swimply to access a safe private pool in Howard County. It's just my husband, kids and me that rent the pool-- we stay for an hour and have a great time. Plus, we usually meet the owners who are on premise and everyone is happy with the arrangements--- the owners get to meet new people and share their pool with others, and we get to partake in a very fun activity. It's a win-win!

As I mentioned, we only visit for an hour at a time, don't take up extra street parking, play no music, and only visit fully fenced pools. We don't have parties and never bring extra people. We are polite, clean, and respectful to the host, neighbors, and county.

Further, I have never had any neighbors of pool owners complain or get upset with us.

Instead of banning Swimply, I ask the Council to consider regulations that allow Swimply to continue serving local families. I would not be opposed to limitations on late night parties, noise restrictions, size of rental groups, etc. That is all fair and kind to everyone involved.

Please continue to allow my family and I to enjoy our fellow citizens' pools. I think it's a grave government overreach to ban Swimply-- especially since we can rate each other, interact with each other before the reservation, and we can choose whether or not to go back to the pool if we don't like it. I have never had one bad experience with the Swimply platform and feel that everything is priced fairly.

Please vote NO on CB30-2025.

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Sara Glaz Aloni (C) 714.813.5667 **From:** r goldenberg <goldrichllc@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2025 5:47 PM

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#### Good day all,

About a year and a half ago, I was struck by a car while walking in a parking lot. After surgery, recuperation, and physical therapy, I am feeling much better.

However, insurance will not pay for any more services regarding these injuries. So I swim on a regular basis, for its therapeutic effects. But I can't afford a pool, so Swimply is my lifesaver. I usually swim alone, without music, for about an hour per visit.

I have truly benefited from several Swimply locations in Howard County.

Please allow me to continue doing so.

I would understand regulations that restrict noise and crowd size, and address parking issues.

Please vote NO on CB30-20

Thank you, Rick Goldenberg

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