## In support of BRX Zoning in Highland

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Honorable Council Members, I bought property in Highland in 2014, located at 13303 Clarksville Pike, Highland, MD 20777 and is within 1000 feet from cross roads 108 and 216.I am a primary care physician and originally from country side in India and was planning to have a rural clinic/wellness center in Highland area, which is a necessity of this community, I think. When I bought this property, my realtor from the same community asked me my long term plan for this property and told her the truth. My words to her spread like jungle fire there, surprisingly one of the neighbors asked me when I will be rezoning this to commercial. I told her that I did not have any plan yet. I attended your community meeting in June 2015 and found out there that most people were highlighting this property. I think Highland population is very against the immigrant people, which, I feel, is a form of

**Message:** discrimination.I heard that some other immigrant owners have this kind of opposition in the past. I am well aware that there was a Highland Inn restaurant owned by somebody from majority population, opened few years ago and people from Highland community helped him with enthusiasm to do so.I feel people opposing BRX zoning are against certain people.I am US citizen and tax payer,so should not be pointed out in this fashion. Moreover there is nothing bad if that community gets new face lift.There are numerous businesses operating from homes across this crossing on all sides.I think BRX provides orderly expansion of these businesses, provide job opportunities, contribute tax revenues and provide vibrant shopping center for community get together. If county administration is for development, growth and well being of this community ,then BRX zoning should continue to exist.