## **Support for CB50-2016**

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## Good morning,

I wish to offer support for the above referenced council bill, which will grant funds to the Non Profit Center, provide for collaboration opportunities among local non-profits and generally support the operations of local non-profits. We are currently in the process of developing a local non-profit, Howard EcoWorks, to support the READY program and could potentially benefit from the services and support of the Non Profit Center and this bill. The READY program currently operates in a decentralized capacity around the County with office space provided by two churches depending on the day of the week. The spaces provided by the churches are temporary and we are not able to store any office equipment or supplies at the locations. Our organization would benefit from a permanent location - this would most certainly increase the efficiency of our operations. Further, this bill would potentially allow for us to secure space at a lower cost as well as allow for cross collaboration with other local non-profits. Thank you for considering this testimony.

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