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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

June 2, 2017

The Honorable Derrick Leon Davis
Chairman
Prince George's County Council
County Administration Building
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Davis:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration are two pieces of legislation that would create a process for administrative hearings in Prince George's County, Maryland. The creation of an administrative hearing board for specific housing code issues will lead to increased compliance with violations of the County's housing code. Additionally, it would also ensure the prompt payment of the issuance of any citations. The two Bills, the Nuisance Abatement Board amendment and the Administrative Hearings, taken in their entirety would create a process for the administration of citations, the process by which a hearing officer hears appeals of the citations and empower the Nuisance Abatement Board to hear appeals from the decisions of the hearing officers.

The first bill, titled Administrative Hearings, creates the bulk of the new process to include various process elements. The second bill, titled Nuisance Abatement Board, expands the authority of the current Board to play a role as an appellate body in the adjudication of these issues.

The County Council's favorable consideration of these bills are greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Brad Frome, Assistant Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Public Infrastructure, at (301) 952-3835.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rushern L. Baker, III".

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