



February 19, 2026

The Honorable Wanika Fisher  
Chair, Public Safety Committee  
Prince George's County Council  
1301 McCormick Drive  
Largo, MD 20774

Re: Enhanced Community & Business Support for Ending Crime

Dear Council Member Fisher:

Madam Chair and members of the Council. My name is Mark Bradshaw and I am the Vice President of Property Management for DLC Management Corporation. I am a lifelong resident of Maryland, having grown up in Silver Spring, Maryland.

For the first 20 years of my life, I divided time living in my childhood home in Silver Spring and with my Grandparents at their home in the Hollywood neighborhood of College Park. I watched my sister's softball games at Watkins Park, attended Sunday School and Church services at Berwyn Baptist Church in College Park and frequently visited my friends at Bowie State University. This County was a tremendous part of my youth and integral to who I am today.

The past 20 years I have been fortunate to work for multiple companies as a Landlord for multiple community shopping centers within the County. I worked daily out of offices in Penn Mar Shopping Center in Forestville and Pointer Ridge Shopping Center in Bowie. I actively participated in the renovations of Osborne Shopping Center in Upper Marlboro and the construction of the Hall Road Village Center and the public library in Bowie.

More recently I have been fortunate to work for DLC Management and run the day-to-day operations at the Centers we own in Southern Prince George's County. Throughout my career I have been confronted with many challenging issues that come with managing shopping centers that are open and welcome to the public. At times this has involved direct engagement with local community leaders, members of the Prince George's County Police and even several of the esteemed Council Members for whom I testify in front of today.

The issues that DLC has faced at these Centers over the past few years have been some of the most challenging. Despite our best efforts to coordinate with the Police and significant financial investment from Ownership, the violence at these Center persists. As a responsible Landlord and part of the community, we have worked to increase customer safety by lifting the lines of sight for visibility, eliminating hiding spaces and added lighting We have added multiple camera systems, even integrating those camera systems into the Police FUSUS platform to provide real time access to our private cameras to the County Police. Most significantly, we have added a group of talented armed security guards from our partners with Myles Davis Protective Services.

Even with all these efforts and with close coordination and support of the Police, we continue to face challenges with removing frequent troublemakers from our Centers. Our guards routinely attempt to issue bar notices to remove the regular criminal activities and often the Police assist in pushing these loiterers out of our Center. These efforts are quickly undone as the same people return over and over



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again with no accountability or fear of prosecution. Despite our efforts with our partners at Myles Davis and the Prince George's County Police, we continue to see the same faces repeatedly return and foster an environment of nefarious activity.

Our guards are the frontline of defense for us to combat these issues. The guards at Myles Davis have to face armed drug dealers, confront intoxicated loiterers and at the same time check in with our Tenants to ensure them that they are safe to operate their businesses. We have had guards render first aid to victims, pressing down on bullet wounds or inserting their finger into a stab wound to stop the bleeding. I, personally, stood in the parking lot of Penn Station Shopping Center on the afternoon of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, exactly one hour before 3-armed gunman opened fire with automatic weapons in the exact parking space that I had previously stood.

After each one of these incidents, I visit these Centers and speak with the Tenants to offer some sort of reassurance that we are doing everything we can to keep them safe. I truly believe that DLC, as a Landlord, has gone above and beyond to do our best to make these Centers places of safety and commerce. Places where families can visit and shop, where kids can get their haircut and Grandmothers can have their nails done.

We firmly believe that many of the violent crimes that have occurred within and around our centers are related to the loitering and vagrancy that we continue to fight on a daily basis. Holding those accountable who frequent our centers and engage in drug dealing, shop lifting, loitering, drug and alcohol use and other criminal activity is the only way to combat these issues effectively and help us provide the safe space for the community that DLC desires to provide.

The ideas that we bring forth today are born of necessity. They are born of the need for additional prosecutorial assistance to see that there is accountability and a real deterrent. So, that private property Owners and business owners, who are part of the fabric of the community, can also be protected by the law and help bring meaningful enforceability and accountability to the bad actors. Madam Chair, we need your help and the Assistant State's Attorney's Office to help prosecute those who conduct crimes in commercial areas. Without meaningful prosecutions and protections, the County will lose jobs and stores that employ residents and make the County a wonderful place to live, shop, and raise families in. Thank you for the opportunity to appear today. I am happy to answer any questions you have.

Sincerely,

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