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Legislation to Evaluate the Fee-in-Lieu Program

A Call for Action,

There is no doubt that the Howard County Citizens Association, HCCA, believes in "Affordable Housing", and for "Moderate Income Housing" to be spread across the County. The "Fee-in-Lieu" option, that allows developers to buy their way out of building required moderate income units, has caused a huge limitation for our County.

We recommend our elected officials consider introducing legislation to evaluate the Fee-in-Lieu option to either completely eliminate or potentially increase the Fee and determine the impact the program has on the availability of moderate/middle income housing in our County.

Note: The County Executive / Council are included in this email. **Any Feedback would be Appreciated.**

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