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## HB830 - FAVORABLE

The Honorable Kumar Barve, Chair **Environmental and Transportation Committee** Room 251, House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

As introduced, HB830 would establish and alter certain requirements related to the installation of equipment for the charging of electric vehicles during the construction or significant renovation of certain housing units; clarifying that a county or municipal corporation may require a greater number of electric vehicle parking spaces under certain circumstances; and generally relating to electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) on new residential construction and residential construction undergoing significant renovation.

This legislation would affect the 1% of new housing in MD built each year as well as major renovations. Maryland is seeking to electrify transportation since 40% of Green House Gas Emissions come from the Internal Combustion Engine transportation sector. Needed for owners of Electric Vehicles (EV) is a place to charge their vehicles. Studies have shown that EV owners expect to charge their cars at home 90% of the time. This legislation would begin this phase in of EVSEs where people live.

We ask that your committee report out this bill favorably.

**Howard County Citizens Association** Authorized by Board Paul Verchinski, Board Member