

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT
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September 24, 2019

The Honorable Matthew Morgan
Maryland House of Delegates
310 House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: St. Mary's County - to amend 89-501(c)(1)(iii, iv, v) and 89-509(c) of the *Local Govt. Article (Open Meetings Act)* - to make the Library System, Metropolitan Commission and Housing Authority subject to the St. Mary's County Open Meetings Act and to encourage the use of technology

Dear Chairman Morgan:

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County support the request to amend 89-501(c)(1)(iii, iv, v) and 89-509(c) of the *Local Govt. Article* of the *Annotated Code of Maryland* to add St. Mary's Library System, Metropolitan Commission and Housing Authority to the definition of "Public Agencies" that are subject to the St. Mary's County Open Meetings Act and to encourage the use of technology as requested by Commissioner Colvin and Commissioner O'Connor.

We appreciate the introduction of this legislation and believe this legislation will benefit the citizens of St. Mary's County. We look forward to working with you on this and other initiatives throughout the session.

Sincerely,
COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY

James R. Guy, President

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Delegate Gerald Clark
Delegate Brian Crosby
Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Michael Hewitt
Commissioner Todd Morgan
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