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March 8, 2024 Charles County Commissioners 200 Baltimore Street LaPlata, MD 20646 Dear Charles County Commissioners, I support ZTA 22-173 Independent Living Senior Housing Complex. As you know, I am the secretary for the Charles County Planning Commission as well as chair of the Bryans Road Business Association. Because of my role in the Bryans Road community as well as the Charles County Planning Commission I consulted with counsel and recused myself from all Planning Commission actions related to the Bryans Road Sub-Area Plan as well as the proposal for an Independent Living Senior Housing Complex on the site owned by The Master's Child Church and Worship Center in Indian Head Maryland. I am submitting these comments as a citizen and as an over 25 year resident of Bryans Road, Maryland. Listed below are my reasons for supporting the proposal: The 2016 Comprehensive Plan, like all similar plans, is a document that includes aspirational goals for urban planning categories such land use, economic development, environmental protections and inclusive housing. Like all aspirational plans, implementation requires informed discussion, analysis, public participation and inevitable trade offs that balance a combination of sometimes conflicting factors while seeking to address the public good. Holding out for perfect solutions in any one category is unrealistic and leads to stalemate and stagnation. I believe it would be a beneficial use of time for anyone considering this proposal to review the record on the implementation of the Watershed Conservation District zoning. Although it is part of the current zoning, its implementation has been problematic. The deliberations were divisive, politically charged and bitter. The record contains comments from Charles County Commissioners that appropriate analysis had not been undertaken by the county to consider options that could have been less impactful on personal land values. The County Commissioners departe

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