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Dear Chair Gregory Waring and Charter Board:

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As Charles County potentially moves from a Code Home Rule Government to a Charter Government, I wanted to highlight some of the progressive counties that operate under this form of government. Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties operate under the Charter Form of Government, which also includes the presence of a Police Department.

To implement a Charter Government in Charles County, we should emulate other counties that have successfully operated under this form of government with all components included.

Yours in Service.

Arthur Ellis

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