

Bill No: HB003  
Title: Parole Reform  
Committee: House Judiciary Committee  
Proceeding: Lifers Bill  
Hearing Date:1/18/21

I, DEMORRICE MATTOX member of (Family Support Network) am writing in **support** of Bill No: HB003 Governor Glendenning in 1994 unjust declaration saying to press that "life means life" and to Governors L. Hogan's refusal to parole lifers

We believe that the Governor of Maryland should not have the power or play a role in the parole process.

My brother (DORIAN MATTOX) a first-time offender sentence in 1976, was advised by his lawyer to take a plea bargain and was told he be eligible for parole and released in 20yrs.

Dorian his been up for parole 12 times. His letter of petition has been on the Governor's desk numerous times and my brother Dorian has been incarcerated for over 44 years. My brother is a caring and spiritual person and shown tremendous growth and stride. Over the last 44 years he has earned his GED IN 1979 an AA Degree from Essex Community College in 1983 and has been involved in numerous positive organizations within the prison system. We (FSN) and the Citizens of Maryland don't want our loved ones to live out their lives in prison especially with all the lives being lost due to COVID-19. I STRONGLY URGE THE PASSAGE OF THIS BILL:NO: HB0003.

Thank you so much for your time and attention.

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