

February 13, 2023

The Honorable Guy Guzzone  
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building,  
3 West Wing 11 Bladen St.,  
Annapolis, MD, 21401

**RE: Support of SB 0425 Maryland Historic Trust – Historic Preservation Partnership Program and Fund – Established**

Dear Chairman Guzzone:

The Maryland Building Industry Association, representing 100,000 employees statewide, appreciates the opportunity to participate in the discussion surrounding **SB 0425 Maryland Historic Trust – Historic Preservation Partnership Program and Fund – Established**. MBIA **Supports** the Act in its current version.

This bill establishes the Historic Preservation Partnership Program in the Maryland Historic Trust to implement and encourage the preservation of historic properties in partnership with a qualified cooperating nonprofit organization. Our members that deal with historic properties will benefit a great deal from this measure, as they will get adequate financial assistance from the State for various preservation projects. Establishing this fund will ease financial burdens on historic property owners, and help us continue to preserve our state's history.

For these reasons, MBIA respectfully requests the Committee give this measure a **Favorable** report. Thank you for your consideration.

For more information about this position, please contact Lori Graf at 410-800-7327 or [lgraf@marylandbuilders.org](mailto:lgraf@marylandbuilders.org).

cc: Members of the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee