

March 4, 2024

The Honorable Brian Feldman, Chair
Education, Energy and Environment Committee

Maryland General Assembly
State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: **HB 1128 / SB 1028 – The Green Death Care Options Act**

Dear Chair Feldman:

I am writing to urge your committee to favorably report on the Maryland Green Death Care Options Act.

From the perspective of someone who does not want to impair the environment after they die, I believe there is no reason that natural organic reduction and water cremation should be withheld from Maryland families. Water cremation and NOR should be options for people who committed to a greener lifestyle before death because the environmental impact of conventional funerals is entirely avoidable with these better death care options. Now that so many other states have proven the science and reliability of these options, Maryland can have no excuse for lagging behind. I live in the District of Columbia but family members live in Maryland.

Please step up to support this legislation because it's the right thing to do.

Sincerely,



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