

Dear Chair Jones, Vice-Chair Rigby, Members Walsh, Jung, and Yungmann,

We at Howard Progressive Project are writing in support of the nomination of Felita Phillips to the Howard County Board of Appeals. As we celebrate the impending elevation of the first African American woman to the Supreme Court, we do so with the understanding that representation matters.

The Board of Appeals has not included a Black woman for five years. The voice Ms. Phillips will bring to this work is important to our entire community.

Please approve her nomination.

Yours,

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