Kent County Planning Commission

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May 7, 2020

The Honorable P. Thomas Mason President, County Commissioners of Kent County 400 High Street Chestertown, MD 21620

Re: Zoning Text Amendment - Microbreweries

Dear Mr. Mason:

At its meeting on May 7, 2020, the Kent County Planning Commission conducted a public hearing and reviewed proposed amendments to Article V, Sections 10 of the *Kent County Land Use Ordinance* by adding 10.2.21, microbreweries as defined by the State of Maryland, and by adding 10.2.22, Class D Alcohol retail business as defined by the State of Maryland.

Following discussion and consideration of testimony, the Planning Commission voted unanimously to send a favorable recommendation based on the following findings:

- The public need of the amendment is to allow for the development of small, locally owned businesses which will create jobs, support tourism, and economic development.
- The proposal complies with the Comprehensive Plan and the Land Use Ordinance.
- The property and zoning district are suited for this use.

Sincerely, Kent County Planning Commission

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Elizabeth H. Morris Chairman

