

## Luis Joya Gusman Testimony HOME ACT

Esteemed Montgomery County Council, mi name is Luis amoya gusman. I am from El Salvador. I am 55 years old, and I have lived in the County for 16 years. My address is [REDACTED]

I am writing you to ask for your support on the Bill 16-23: Home Opportunity and Mobility and Equity Act. This act can help people who are having difficulties paying their rent increases. Many of us have not been able to work at the same level as we worked prior to the pandemic. Many people have been affected by the side effect of the virus as well. I am thankful because I have been sick in bed many times, but it has not been due to the virus. I suffer from an illness where I must get dialysis treatments 4 times a week. The medical expenses are expensive, and I have not been able to have a stable living situation.

Yet, the pressure to pay the rent has made things more difficult. I lost my job a year ago due to the dialysis treatments. I have been able to find a few jobs with a few hours but due to my condition not many people want to hire me. I ask you to please vote "Yes" to the Bill 16-23: Home Opportunity and Mobility and Equity Act. Thank you!