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Dear Montgomery County Council,

I am writing to express the full support of the Maryland Black Chamber of Commerce for the proposed New J.O.B.S Initiative.

The Maryland Black Chamber of Commerce is particularly supportive of this initiative because of its potential to significantly improve Montgomery County's per capita income growth, foster an increase in new business applications, and drive employment growth. These outcomes are not only beneficial for the county's economic landscape but also essential for the prosperity and wellbeing of its residents.

Furthermore, we believe that initiatives like this are necessary for Montgomery County to keep pace with the economic growth experienced by our surrounding counties. By investing in programs and incentives that encourage business development and employment opportunities, Montgomery County can remain competitive and ensure that its residents have access to meaningful economic opportunities.

In conclusion, the Maryland Black Chamber of Commerce wholeheartedly supports the proposed initiative and encourages its approval. We believe that this investment is a strategic and prudent step towards fostering economic growth and prosperity in Montgomery County.

Thank you for considering our perspective on this matter.

Sincerely,

Kenneth White

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