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FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

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Ms. Deborah G. Matthews 7904 Candlewood Dr. Alexandria, VA 22306

Dear Deborah,

Thank you for your diligence and alerting me to the perilous positions seniors experience when they do not have a government-issued photo identification card, and to the challenges Virginia's homebound elderly population faces when it is time for them to renew their IDs at the DMV.

As a result of your advocacy, I was proud to patron HB1559 during the 2017 legislative session of the Virginia General Assembly. As you know, HB1559 synchronizes the renewal period for special identification cards, including "Senior IDs" with the renewal period for Drivers Licenses—increasing the IDs validity from five years to eight years. This seemingly small measure will have a huge impact on our senior residents, reducing the amount of time our elderly residents must spend at the DMV.

This bill would never have happened without your expertise and advocacy, in alerting me to the issue and helping to craft a workable legislative solution to the problem.

Thank you again for your hard work on behalf of both your clients, my constituents in the 44th House District of Virginia and for the Commonwealth of Virginia as a whole. I look forward to continuing to work with you as we make the Commonwealth a better place to live for all of its residents.

Sincerely,

Delegate Paul Krizek

44th District