

June 16, 2023

Helene Fletcher Food and Culinary Services Howard County General Hospital 5755 Cedar Lane Columbia, MD 21044

Re: Response to Waiver Request

Dear Helene Fletcher,

The Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") has completed its review of Howard County General Hospital's waiver request that was submitted on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Based upon this review, MDE has granted Howard County General Hospital a waiver from Maryland's Solid Waste Management – Organics Recycling and Waste Diversion – Food Residuals regulations (COMAR 26.04.13) until **December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**.

Thank you for your cooperation in providing a sound solid waste management plan to bring Howard County General Hospital into compliance with the law by the end of 2023. If you have questions or need additional clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-537-3304 or <a href="mailto:tyler.abbott@maryland.gov">tyler.abbott@maryland.gov</a> or Mr. Bradley Baker, Manager, Resource Management Program, at 410-537-3314 or <a href="maryland.gov">bradley.baker1@maryland.gov</a>.

Thank you,

Tyler Abbott, Director

Land and Materials Administration

Maryland Department of the Environment

cc: Devon Dodson, Assistant Secretary, MDE