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CRITICAL AREAS COMMISSION FOR THE
CHESAPEAKE BAY

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November 24, 1987

CHAIRMAN OF THE HEARING:

Constance Luder

MEMBERS OF THE CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION:

Judge Solomon Liss
Ronald Adkins
Victor Butanis
Louise Lawrence

MEMBERS OF THE CECIL COUNTY CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION:

Peter Wood
Michael Pugh

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P R O C E E D I N G S

HEARING CHAIRMAN: I'd like to call the hearing to order. I'd like to welcome everybody here. I am Constance Luder, Chairman of the Hearing, tonight.

We have with us here members of the Critical Area Commission, Judge Solomon Liss, who is also the Chairman of the entire Commission, Ron Adkins, Vick Butanis and Louise Lawrence.

We also would like to thank the Commissioner, we have Commissioner Deen here and Michael Pugh, the Director of Planning and Economic Development and we're very happy to be here, we appreciate you hosting us, tonight.

The purpose of the hearing, tonight is to hear comments on the Cecil County Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Program. It's required by law Section 81809 of the Critical Area Law. The Cecil County program was submitted to the Commission, officially, on November 17th and the Commission will vote sometime before February the 17th on this Commission.

There will be an opportunity to submit comments in writing to the Commission for about a week after this hearing. You should submit them directly to Judge Liss,

1 at the Critical Area Commission and if anyone wants
2 that address, I can provide it to them after the hearing.

3 I guess that's all I need to say. We do have a Court
4 Reporter who is recording the hearing and is there anyone
5 in the audience who wishes to testify?

6 Yes, please, will you come forward and give your name.

7 MR. WOOD: My name is Peter Wood. I am a resident
8 of Northeast, Maryland and I would like to make a comment
9 about the report from, the entire report prepared by our
10 Commission and the County.

11 -Saving the Bay is a long problem and I think
12 this is a good first step to starting the environmental
13 impact and development along the Bay. I think that
14 the report is full, I think it's comprehensive. I think
15 that they have allowed for future growth and development
16 and I think that all needs of all people have been looked
17 at in a fair and equitable mound.

18 It's very difficult in this type of program to take
19 care of everyone but I think that our Commission is to be
20 absolutely commended under the leadership of Mike Pugh,
21 Janet and Susan in the back. I think that they have done
22 an outstanding job and I am here to say that for the Reporter.

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1 HEARING CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Wood.

2 Anyone else would like to testify? Would the
3 consultants like to say anything?

4 MR. ADKINS: I'd like to make a brief comment, if I
5 may. I want to second the comment that was just made by
6 Mr. Wood and congratulate Mike Pugh and his staff on
7 preparing an imaginative program. That doesn't necessarily
8 mean that the staff will not have some matters to square
9 away with the planning commission of Cecil County and our
10 staff is now checking the program as submitted. There are
11 a number of issues that will have to be worked out but I am
12 sure that they will be worked out promptly but I think the
13 encouraging thing is that Mr. Pugh and the members of his
14 staff approached the problem with imagination and came up
15 with a unique program and they deserve a great deal of cre-
16 dit for it and we're grateful to them for the cooperation
17 that they have shown.

18 HEARING CHAIRMAN: It's obvious you have a very
19 controversial plan?

20 (Laughter)

21 MR. PUGH: We did our best.

22 HEARING CHAIRMAN: Well, I appreciate the good work.

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1 And we think that preserving the Chesapeake Bay is
2 probably the most important thing that we can do in
3 Maryland. And this is just one of the pieces that we
4 need to put together to do that.

5 Do any of the Commissioners have anything they'd like
6 to say?

7 Then I'll declare this hearing adjourned.

8 (Hearing Adjourned.)
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BEFORE: Critical Area Commission for the
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