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September 27, 2021

The Honorable Guy J. Guzzone, Chairman
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 West Wing
11 Bladen St.
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Annual Report of Loans & Grants Issued from VCAF

Dear Chairman Guzzone:

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In FY 2021, MMD settled seven loans and zero grants, totaling \$2,605,867.00 from the VCAF fund. The attached schedules report the status of the required documentation that MMD received.

MMD continues to work with the MSFA to improve the VCAF loan process to ensure that adequate controls are in place as we jointly support the State's volunteer fire, rescue and ambulance community.

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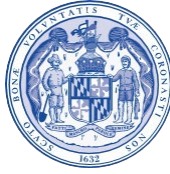


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