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November 14, 2018

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. Senate President
Office of the President
State House 100 State Circle
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

In Re: Report on Licensed Direct-Entry Midwives as required by Health Occupations Article, §8-6C-10(a), Annotated Code of Maryland, FY 2018

Dear President Miller:

At its regular meeting on November 14, 2018, the Maryland Board of Nursing approved the attached report and recommendations from the Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact the Board's legislative liaison, Shirley A Devaris, at 410-585-1902.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Governor Lawrence Hogan Speaker Michael E. Busch The Honorable Joan Carter-Conway, Chair The Honorable Shane Pendergrass, Chair Secretary Robert R. Neall



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The Hon. Joan Carter Conway, Chair Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

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December 1, 2017

Re: FY 2017 report for the Licensed Direct-Entry Midwives Required by Health Occupations Article, Section 8-6C-12, Annotated Code of Maryland

The Maryland Board of Nursing commenced licensing direct-entry midwives in January 2017. To date there are 11 licensed direct-entry midwives practicing in Maryland. Originally, it was thought there would be 24-30 persons seeking such licensure but that has not been the case. For purposes of this report, the data collection required in Health Occupations Article, §8-6C-12 is data from January 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017. Next year's data will provide a more comprehensive overview of the direct-entry midwives activities in this State.

The data below is data collected from initial licensees from January, 2017, through June 30, 2017, where the intended place of birth at the onset of care was an out-of-hospital setting.

(1) The total number of patients served as primary caregiver at onset of care: 59 Of this number, 2 were in Pennsylvania and 25 opted out of care at some point.

(2) The number by County of live births attended as primary caregivers: **Total 32**

Anne Arundel County	3
Carroll County	1
Cecil County	1
Baltimore City	6
Baltimore County	9
Frederick County	5
Harford County	2
Howard County	1
Montgomery County	2
Prince Georges County	1
St. Mary's County	1

(3) The number by County of fetal demise, infant deaths, and maternal deaths attended by primary caregiver at the discovery of the demise or death: **Baltimore City-1**.

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