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Dear Chair Shalleck:

Turnout is expected to be high for the 2020 general election, therefore, I support adding a 12th early voting site for the general election. This additional convenient voting opportunity will hopefully increase turnout and help reduce lines on election day which was a problem in 2018.

I have concerns about the cost and additional benefit of implementing another early voting site for the primary election in this fiscal year. As you know, Maryland's primary is on the back end of the primary calendar. If the presidential nominations are already determined by the time of our primary, turnout might be very low for the whole primary as there are no other competitive races in our county.

Thank you for your role in making our democracy work.

Sincerely,