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To whom it may concern;

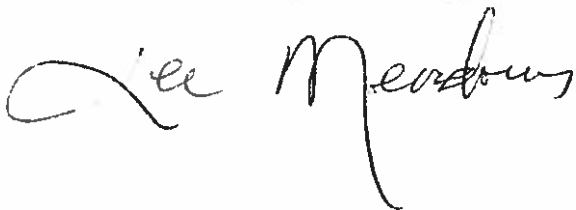
The Ben Oaks Watershed Stewards very much appreciate the assistance of The Baltimore Lab School students over the past year. We have two streams that run through our community into the Severn River. The Lab School Watershed Stewards collected 50 pounds of trash from these streams while conducting stream surveys and reporting water quality and macro invertebrate counts. They also took pictures of a degraded outfall and sent them to the Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works. This outfall erosion enabled lots of sand to be deposited at the mouth of the creek and contributed to the flooding of Severnside Drive. The outfall was repaired early this fall.

The Severn River Association acknowledges that the Severn River is a beneficiary of the activities of the Baltimore Lab School and, along with the Ben Oaks Watershed Stewards, wholeheartedly supports the Baltimore Lab School Watershed Steward group and their planned activities. We agree that what they learn through these experiences will strengthen their love for the environment and make them great stewards of clean water throughout the rest of their lives.

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Baltimore Lab School Watershed Stewards
c/o Kara Huggins

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Dear Baltimore Lab School Watershed Stewards:

The Ben Oaks Watershed Stewards very much appreciate your assistance over the past few years. Your efforts have enabled us to plant several shoreline areas that are trapping sediment and looking beautiful. We often get nice comments from neighbors. In this past year, your trash collection from our two streams and the water quality analysis have resulted in special attention from the county for our storm water issues.

We would especially like to call out Tyshell for sending her pictures of the degraded outfall on Cool Spring Branch to the Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works. This outfall erosion enabled lots of sand to be deposited at the mouth of the creek and contributed to the flooding of Severnside Drive. This outfall was repaired early this fall. Thank you.

We sincerely hope that your experiences in our community will be the foundation for you as great stewards of clean water for the rest of your lives.

Thank you very sincerely,

Ben Oaks Watershed Stewards

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