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Marschall Smith
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Dear Director Smith,

I am writing to express my support for the changes to IMLC Bylaws posted on your website for comment on May 21, 2024. As Senate Chair of the Maryland General Assembly's Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee and the Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight, I am acutely aware of governmental and quasi-governmental agencies' need for oversight and transparency. While measures ensuring adequate oversight may appear burdensome, they are necessary as a safeguard against potential, waste, fraud, and abuse.

I fully support the proposed changes to Article VII of the IMLC Bylaws. An executive committee is necessary to allow a large organization to operate efficiently, but such a committee must be balanced by limitations on its powers and measures to keep the committee accountable to the organization's membership. The proposed changes would introduce common-sense measures to address this, such as meeting notices, publication of minutes, and ratification requirements for executive policymaking. The additional proposed changes to Articles III and VII, including rules governing Committee appointments and quorum requirements, also seem important to ensuring proper Commission functioning.

Thank you for providing an opportunity to comment on these proposed amendments. I look forward to the Committee's decision regarding these amendments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clarence K. Lam".

Senator Clarence Lam, MD, MPH
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