

June 16, 2023

Shani Hamilton Food and Culinary Services Suburban Hospital 8600 Old Georgetown Road Bethesda, MD 20814

Re: Response to Waiver Request

Dear Shani Hamilton,

The Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") has completed its review of Suburban Hospital's waiver request that was submitted on June 7th, 2023. Based upon this review, MDE has granted Suburban Hospital a waiver from Maryland's Solid Waste Management – Organics Recycling and Waste Diversion – Food Residuals regulations (COMAR 26.04.13) until **December 31st**, 2023.

Thank you for your cooperation in providing a sound solid waste management plan to bring Suburban Hospital into compliance with the law by the end of 2023. If you have questions or need additional clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-537-3304 or tyler.abbott@maryland.gov or Mr. Bradley Baker, Manager, Resource Management Program, at 410-537-3314 or bradley.baker1@maryland.gov.

Thank you,

Tyler Abbott, Director Land and Materials Administration

Maryland Department of the Environment

cc: Devon Dodson, Assistant Secretary, MDE