

May 8, 2019

Dear Senator Riley,

As a small business owner and resident of *both* Happy Valley and NCPRD, I wholeheartedly **support HB 3099A**. This bill is not about refereeing between two agencies. HB 3099A is about preparing small cities for long-term growth and equipping those communities to meet neighborhood needs in the most equitable way possible.

I have lived in my community for over 15 years. When Happy Valley joined NCPRD in 2005, it was a small town of approximately 7,300 people. At that time, leveraging the technical knowledge and resources of a larger county service district made sense. Now, however, Happy Valley is a thriving community of nearly 21,000 neighbors and the City's capacity for managing urban services has expanded. Happy Valley's growth is not unusual; cities throughout the state have also experienced tremendous growth.

As Happy Valley, and other cities throughout the state, express their desire to become service providers, there needs to be a clear process for residents to vote on who should be their service provider. By establishing a clear process for exiting county service districts, the legislative assembly is supporting small communities and voter rights.

Thank you for supporting HB 3099A,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TJ Milashouskas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

TJ Milashouskas
Happy Valley Resident