



Bay Bridge Marina LLLP.

Letter of Support for Chesapeake Nautical Cruises

5/22/2023

Dear Mayor Buckley, Alderwoman Tierney, and other members of Annapolis City Council:

My name is Walt Petrie and I am writing this letter in support of Chesapeake Nautical Cruises. As owner of Bay Bridge Marina and Libbey's Coastal Kitchen + Cocktails, along with being a partner in the Chesapeake Bay Beach Club, I strongly support giving a permit to Chesapeake Nautical Cruises. We believe it would be very advantageous to the city of Annapolis as Chesapeake Nautical Cruises can expand tourism, entertainment, and water access. This would also allow them to offer regularly scheduled charter service across the Chesapeake to Bay Bridge Marina, giving locals and tourists the ability to travel from Annapolis to the Eastern Shore, and offering those attending the numerous weddings hosted on the Eastern Shore the option to visit your beautiful city by waterway. For this to work they need a predominant location downtown, and securing the Burtis Dock Commercial Lease or another convenient location downtown would be monumental in their ability to move forward with these fantastic plans.

Thank you for the opportunity to support Chesapeake Nautical Cruises and we appreciate all your efforts to consider their requests.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Walt Petrie", with a long, sweeping underline.

Walt Petrie