GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON SERVICES FOR AGING AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

June 13, 2016

Dear Honorable Legislator:

Re: HBS 1 for HB 200 - Accessible Parking

The Governor's Advisory Council on Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities endorses HS1 for HB 200 which enhances accessible parking laws in Delaware.

Over the last several years Delaware has expanded the availability of home and community-based long-term care services so that our seniors and people with disabilities can age in their own homes. It is equally important that they remain active in their communities. Everyone should be able to dine out, attend church and go to the grocery store.

Our organization frequently hears from seniors, people with disabilities and their caregivers about how the lack of accessible parking directly impacts their ability to move about in their communities thereby impacting their quality of life.

HS1 for HB200 will improve accessible parking in Delaware by:

- Requiring public agencies to issue a permit for installation, restriping, repainting, resurfacing or altering an accessible parking space.
- Incorporating the regulations under the Americans with Disabilities Act as the standard to use when installing or altering and accessible parking space and assessing compliance.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Fredericks Council Chair