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The Honorable Wendell S. Walker
900 East Main Street, E304
Richmond, Virginia 23218

Re: Consideration of House Bill 1917 – Public Pools; Board of Health to Adopt Regulations.

Dear Chairman Walker:

National Pools of Roanoke supports this bill, directing the Virginia Department of Health to promulgate regulations governing swimming pools and spas for public use. Our company is family owned and has been in business in Roanoke, VA since 1977 building, servicing, renovating and supplying products for pools across the state.

Since the VDH currently only has authority to regulate pools and spas at campgrounds, summer camps, and hotels, there is still a large portion of pools being unregulated and may not be required to meet minimum operating standards. The HB 1917 will help to increase the safety of commercial pool facilities by being able to enforce new regulations as the current health code is updated. We at National Pools are not in favor of over-regulation but supports the ability of the VDH to apply current health code to all commercial pools and spas, not just certain sectors.

We respectfully request that you consider moving this important legislation out of your committee.

Sincerely,

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