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Dear Citizens of Baltimore:

This past Saturday night, in the 4200 block of Boston Street at around midnight, the street car racing anarchists with their usual entitlement, created chaos in that part of the Southeast District. They commandeered a parking lot and shut down Boston Street, both ways, to traffic. It is estimated that 200-300 cars participated in the burnouts and other related activity that we have all seen in recent videos, or in person. Police officers responding to this scene were hit with bottles, rocks, and one Sergeant took two direct hits to the eye from a laser beam, which was being used by someone in the crowd. Multiple Signal 13's (officers need assistance) were broadcast but this situation lasted for over an hour. The injured Sergeant was taken to Shock Trauma with cornea damage, the permanency of which is unknown at this time. I continue to be humbled by the courage our officers maintain with their Patrol shifts so depleted. They continue to do this with no support from the top. And to add insult to injury, this incident occurred on top of multiple murders, shootings, and carjackings just this weekend, including two people who were shot, just after the Boston St incident, just a few blocks from this scene in the active Canton Square restaurant/bar area.

This is being allowed to happen because of weak leadership and the ineffective policies at the top of City Hall and the Baltimore Police Department. All of you have heard the Mayor and Police Commissioner echo the State's Attorney's coddling stance on everything from low level crimes to murder. This is why the city is out of control and the reason many have sought to live and work elsewhere, and others choose to spend their money outside of Baltimore City.

Murders, shootings, carjackings, and robberies are all at record levels even with a shrinking population. Ladies and gentlemen, you do not have enough patrol officers to answer calls for service and definitely not enough detectives to keep up with out-of-control caseloads. We need six hundred more police officers to bolster patrol as well as staffing the detective units, after which the balance of our manpower can be properly utilized for proactive law enforcement similar to our actions when we brought the murder rate to under 200. And no, this was not done with mass arrests. It was done with targeted enforcement of violent offenders in great numbers by many police, with that being their sole purpose. This year alone we have lost 100 more police officers than we have hired. Put violent offenders in jail for a long time and the violent crime rate will drop, period.

If you are ok with an out-of-control city, short some six hundred officers, and the so-called leaders that continue the same old dribble when they talk down to you, please continue to elect them. I am telling you that since PC Harrison arrived in Baltimore some 3 years ago things have deteriorated tremendously. Since Mosby became states attorney some 7 years ago, Baltimore has turned into a

criminal breeding ground of lawlessness. I had hoped that when Mayor Scott took office things might change. I spent many hours watching him when he was the Chair of the Public Safety Committee at City Hall. He would hold the BPD accountable for their decisions, repeatedly. It seems that now he has lost his way, mired in the progressive movement which in the near future will come back to haunt those same leaders. Also, please let's not leave out some of our elected City Delegation in Annapolis and the part they have played in the deterioration of a once great city.

Citizens of Baltimore, this is your city. Vote Marilyn Mosby out now and let all of the others responsible for this destruction, or those who remain quiet, know that the time for change has most definitely arrived. We are out of time unless you are willing to wait multiple years for a "crime plan" or "holistic" experiment, all the while bodies continue to litter the streets. Public safety must come first. ACT NOW!

Mike Mancuso
President