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Carroll County Government  
225 North Center Street  
Westminster, Maryland 21157

## **Residential Rooftop Solar Wildlife Barrier (Critter Guard) Installation Waiver**

*Pursuant to Maryland Senate Bill 783, effective September 1, 2024*

Property Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Homeowner Acknowledgment and Waiver**

I, the undersigned homeowner, acknowledge that I have been informed of the requirement under Maryland Senate Bill 783 for the installation of a wildlife barrier (critter guard) on rooftop photovoltaic (PV) systems. This barrier is designed to prevent wildlife intrusion and potential damage to both the PV system and the underlying roof.

I understand the risks associated with not installing a wildlife barrier, including but not limited to:

- Possible damage to wiring and components caused by animals such as birds or squirrels
- Voided product or workmanship warranties due to wildlife-related damage
- Potential future repair and maintenance costs resulting from wildlife intrusion

### **Election (Check One):**

- I **waive** installation of a wildlife barrier and accept full responsibility for any resulting issues.  
 I **elect** to install a wildlife barrier on my property.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Homeowner Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Witness Signature (Third Party)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name**

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**Date**

\*This report shall be submitted prior to permit issuance

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