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The Honorable Todd M. Turner
Chair
Prince George's County Council
County Administration Building
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chair Turner:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution in support of transit grant applications to the Maryland Transit Administration ("MTA") and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments ("MWCOG"). Through the Department of Public Works and Transportation ("DPW&T"), Prince George's County is entering its 38th year of participation in Maryland's Statewide Specialized Transportation Assistance Program ("SSTAP"). SSTAP provides annual operating and/or capital grant funding to Maryland counties and the City of Baltimore to provide transportation for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

The funds received through SSTAP play a critical role in providing services to our residents. As an example, in FY 2018, DPW&T allocated the funding for the County Call-A-Bus vehicle replacement program. Funds under the next cycle will be utilized for capital costs associated with infrastructure improvements that will increase the County's Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA") compliance and improve reliability and accessibility for the County's residents.

The MTA requires grantees to submit a County Resolution authorizing the filing of grant applications with the MTA under the Federal Transit Act. DPW&T is preparing its FY 2021 Grant Application for submission to the MTA. The MTA requires a Council Resolution expressing approval of the application.

Additionally, the Resolution would authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works and Transportation to submit a Council Resolution authorizing the filing of grant applications and formal acceptance of awarded grant funding as required by the MWCOG. MWCOG requires the governing body of Prince George's County, by Resolution, to authorize the specific filing of the Enhanced Mobility Grant Program.

The Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. Should you require additional information, please contact Terry L. Bellamy, Director, Department of Public Works and Transportation, at (301) 883-5600.

Sincerely,


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