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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

April 7, 2022

The Honorable Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chairman
Prince George's County Council
County Administration Building
Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Hawkins:

Enclosed for the County Council's consideration is a Resolution in support of transit and transportation grant applications to the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Transit Administration (MDOT-MTA), Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Highway Safety Office (MDOT-MHSO), Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT-SHA), Metropolitan Washington Council of Government (MWCOCG), Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Annually, the Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) submits grant applications to the FTA, various USDOT, EPA, DOE and MDOT offices under several of their programs. This year additional opportunities have been provided to address COVID-19 related transportation and secure transit infrastructure and are anticipated to become available through the administration of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).

Historically, the County has applied for funding under several programs within the Annual Transportation Plan. These include, but are not limited to:

- Section 5311 Funds – Federal and State Funds, provides operating assistance to rural service areas, the funds are used to offset a portion of the paratransit (Call-A-Bus) operating costs;
- Large Urban Program Funds used to offset operating costs for TheBus;
- ADA Operating Fund provides funds to support demand response curb-to-curb transportation for individuals with disabilities who are unable to use traditional; fixed-route public transit;
- FTA's Low or No Emission Vehicle Program 5339(c) for the purchase of electric buses and charging stations;

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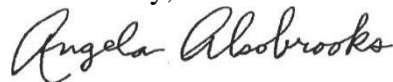
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- MWCOG Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act Funds, provide free rides to residents who need to get to their COVID-19 vaccine appointments; and
- DHS Transit Security Grant Program, which if awarded, will provide security upgrades including technology (cameras, Wi-Fi, software), and infrastructure (fencing, lighting) at the County's transit facilities.

The FTA, MTA, DOE, EPA and MWCOG require Prince George's County as the governing body to, by resolution, authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works and Transportation to file for these certain federal and state grant applications and accept awards of grant funding.

The County's favorable consideration of this legislation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office or Martin L. Harris, Acting Director of Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T), at (301) 883-5600.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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