



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

January 31, 2018

Chairman Jack Evans
Board of Directors
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
600 5th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Chairman Evans and Members of the Board of Directors:

As you consider the Fiscal Year 2019 budget, we write to remind you of the commitment Metro previously made to eliminate the turnback of alternating Red Line trains at Grosvenor-Strathmore station by July of 2018. As you will recall, the Board passed a resolution (Board Resolution 2015-37) to this effect three years ago.

Eliminating the Grosvenor turnback is important because the increased headways beyond Grosvenor are discouraging potential riders from using the system. This is particularly problematic in areas such as White Flint and the Pike District, which have been developed around the promise of high quality, regular transit service. Longer headways make using Metro less reliable and less appealing to the residents of these growing communities.

Frankly, it is concerning that past agreements are not being lived up to as Metro asks for even more capital funding from the jurisdictions. We ask that you put funding in the Fiscal Year 2019 budget to eliminate the Grosvenor turnback as promptly as possible. To the extent there are technical or procedural hurdles to achieving this long promised goal, we request that you diligently and expeditiously work through them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Sen. Richard Madaleno Jr,
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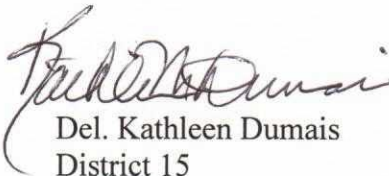
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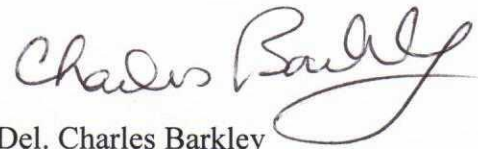
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