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The Honorable Kate Stewart Council President, Montgomery County Council 100 Maryland Avenue, 6th Floor Rockville, MD 20850

RE: Proposed Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 25-11, Temporary Commercial Uses – Temporary Telecommunications Facility

Dear President Stewart, Vice President Jawando, and Members of the Montgomery County Council:

On behalf of AT&T, I am writing to express our support for the Proposed Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 25-11, Temporary Commercial Uses – Temporary Telecommunications Facility. I want to thank the County and the Council for recognizing the need to update these regulations so that we can continue to serve our wireless customers who live in, work in, and travel through Montgomery County.

AT&T is a global leading provider of telecommunications services and technology. We've been connecting Montgomery County residents to greater possibility for more than a century – and we know how important it is for our customers to stay connected through life's defining moments. From 2020 to 2024, we've made nearly \$80 million in investments throughout the county.

The proposed zoning text amendment would create a clear category for temporary telecommunications facilities, establishing a more predictable and efficient process for their approval and use across the county. It would allow temporary facilities in all zones for up to 180 days, with extensions available for up to two years. This gives us the flexibility to respond quickly to changing community needs and provide continuous wireless coverage through a number of scenarios – public infrastructure maintenance, large events, and in emergencies.

Ensuring wireless coverage is not just important for residents, businesses and visitors; it's a critical connection for public safety personnel who work every day to protect property and save lives.

For these reasons, we respectfully request your support and passage of Proposed Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) 25-11. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at km572k@att.com or 202-255-7222.

Sincerely,

Katie McEvoy

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