

## MARYLAND TRANSIT CAUCUS

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Dear Chair Barnes, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the Appropriations Committee,

The more than 90 members of the Transit Caucus have voted to endorse HB 74 – Transportation – Maryland Rail Authority – Establishment (Maryland Rail Investment Act of 2023).

The Transit Caucus is a bipartisan group of Senators and Delegates committed to supporting legislation that supports a robust, equitable, modern, and effective transit network that serves all Marylanders. To that end, the Caucus is dedicated to advancing reliable and sustainable transportation options for Marylanders. This includes, but is not limited to, interconnected public transit, a transition to clean vehicles, alternatives (walking and biking), and the infrastructure to support these options as safe modes of transit. We believe that ensuring every Marylander has access to a variety of safe and reliable mobility options is a critical element of achieving an equitable, prosperous, and healthy state.

The Caucus respectfully requests a favorable report for this legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Senator Karen Lewis Young

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**Delegate Jared Solomon** 

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