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The Honorable Kumar Barve Chair, House Environment and Transportation Committee House Office Building, Room 251 6 Bladen St. Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Hold HB67 in Committee

Dear Chair Barve,

Local 11 represents more than 3,400 members, many of whom are Maryland residents. We are asking you to hold HB67 in committee.

HB67, if passed in its current form, will effectively kill the 270/American Legion/495 project. Transurban has committed to constructing this project under a project labor agreement, which will result in thousands good-paying union jobs with benefits. Phase I alone will create about 7,500 jobs.

Transportation projects like this create significant manhours for Local 11 as we are primarily a heavy/highway local. So, it is very important to the men and women of Local 11 that the 270/American Legion/495 project moves forward.

As we pull out of the Covid-19 pandemic, we need projects like this that create quality jobs for residents.

Sincerely,

Dennis Desmond

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