SB 633 James W. Meredith Support

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Honorable Maryland Senators and Delegates

It is with pleasure that I write this letter of support for Senate Bill SB-633 sponsored by Honorable Senator Johnny F. Mautz. I have served as a Maryland State Employee with over 42 years of service and have recently retired in 2022 as a District Engineer from Maryland State Highway Administration/Maryland Department of Transportation.

The purpose of Senate Bill 938 is to provide a window of opportunity to former Maryland State employee like Mr. Ravindra (Ravi) D. Ganvir to allow him to purchase contractual service to add to his years of State of Maryland service that will provide additional pension benefits.

I have served as Ravi's direct supervisor since April 1984 to December 1991 while he was working as a contractual employee with the Maryland State Highway Administration/Maryland Department of Transportation. Ravi joined Maryland State Highway Administration/Maryland Department of Transportation as a State employee in December 1991 and served till March of 2009.

Ravi is an individual who has had a distinguished career at the Maryland State Highway Administration/Maryland Department of Transportation. Ravi has provided ingenuity, enthusiasm and customer service to which is beyond reproach. Ravi has always come through and delivered timely and accurate information and had won many awards including Maryland Governor's award.

I respectfully request support of Senate Bill SB-633 which will allow Ravi to purchase his state contractual service and provide pension benefits.

Kind Regards