## TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK

February 10, 2025

The Honorable Marc Korman Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee Room 251 House Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: Support of House Bill 628 Highways - Sidewalks and Bicycle Pathways - Construction and Reconstruction

Dear Chair Korman and Committee Members:

The Town of Riverdale Park supports House Bill 628 Highways - Sidewalks and Bicycle Pathways - Construction and Reconstruction. House Bill 628 would require the State Highway Administration to prioritize funding for the construction and reconstruction of sidewalks and bicycle pathways to sidewalks and bicycle pathways that are, or are adjacent to highways that are, subject to a complete streets policy or another similar Vision Zero program.

The Town of Riverdale Park is strongly committed to a transportation network that is safe, multimodal, and provides convenient and equitable access to jobs, commercial and professional services, entertainment, and recreation for all residents in the community. Infrastructure that improves the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers is a critical component of the Town's Walk, Bike, Drive Safety initiative.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this important legislation. If you require any additional information, please contact me at <a href="mailto:akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov">akthompson@riverdaleparkmd.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Alan K. Thompson

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CC: The Honorable Anne Healey, Delegate, District 22