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VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Barbara Mikulski
503 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Ben Cardin
509 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chris Van Hollen
1707 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Senators Mikulski and Cardin, and Representative Van Hollen:

I am writing as the Mayor of the Town of Chevy Chase to request your vigilance and defense of existing environmental, transportation, and other laws that apply to the construction and operation of the Purple Line light rail project.

The Purple Line, as you know, is a major transit initiative that runs from New Carrollton to Bethesda, where it immediately borders the Town. It has the potential to bring great benefits to Marylanders, but, without appropriate legal oversight, it has the potential to bring harm.

Large projects have large impacts, and require more scrutiny, not less. I ask on behalf of the Town that you oppose any waivers that apply to the Purple Line, both during this lame duck session and beyond.

Thank you in advance. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Scott Fosler
Mayor