RESOLUTION NO. 2961

WHEREAS, the Potomac Yard Metrorail station is currently being constructed with an anticipated completion date of March 2022.

WHEREAS, Virginia Tech's Innovation Campus will be located in Potomac Yard within ½ mile of the station.

WHEREAS, Virginia Tech's Innovation Campus will be the University's flagship campus in Northern Virginia and larger than the existing three campuses in Northern Virginia combined.

WHEREAS, 750 Master's and PhD students are anticipated to be enrolled annually, resulting in two to three thousand students at the Innovation Campus.

WHEREAS, The Innovation Campus will be a major center of activity at the Potomac Yard site.

WHEREAS, Universities are commonly included in Metrorail station names, as a secondary name and using abbreviations.

WHEREAS, At this time, there is no additional cost of changing the name of Potomac Yard Metrorail Station.

WHEREAS, Residents and stakeholders have been notified of the proposal to change the Potomac Yard Metrorail station name and all written feedback supported such change.

WHEREAS, The WMATA board must approve all station names and name changes.

RESOLVED, That Council supports "Potomac Yard-VT" as the official station name for the new station in Potomac Yard.

RESOLVED, That Council requests that WMATA proceed with its process for vetting station name proposals.

RESOLVED, That pending positive feedback from the market research, Council recommends that the WMATA board approve "Potomac Yard-VT" as the official station name for the new station in Potomac Yard.

Adopted: September 22, 2020

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A Sitton, CMC City Clerk