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January 7, 2020

City of Alexandria, Virginia
301 King Street, suite 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

Attn: Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Elizabeth Bennett-Parker and City Council Members:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Alexandria Families for Safe Streets (AFSS) organization to recommend the appointment of Ms. Annie Ebberts to Alexandria City's Traffic & Parking Board committee. I have had the benefit of knowing Annie for a couple of years and have always found her to be a thoughtful, caring and friendly person. Her experience as Vice President and then as President of the Del Ray Citizens Association demonstrates her leadership skills as well as her ability to work with a variety of people in an effective manner. She is currently on the executive board of DRCA plus she remains a member of the DRCA Land Use Committee (and previously spent a year as co-chair).

Annie and her husband live in Del Ray with their infant daughter. Annie's works for a federal agency as an environmental planner and analysts. She has experience in dealing with public involvement and has learned to skillfully address issues of concern while solving problems. The thing that impresses me most about Annie is that she is a "doer" in getting things done and takes her responsibilities seriously.

We think her interest in helping to make Alexandria a better place for all residents, her ability to discern critical issues on important matters and her reliability as an intelligent, impartial TPB member makes her an excellent candidate for the TPB committee. Please consider appointing Annie to the TPB Board. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mike Doyle
Founding Member
Alexandria Families for Safe Streets

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Gloria Sitton

From: Jay Still . <jxonar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 9:13 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Michael Curry - Traffic and Parking Board Nominee

Ms. Sitton and the City Council,

I write to you with my strong endorsement of Michael Curry as a citizen member of the Alexandria Traffic and Parking Board.

Mr. Curry has lived and been active in community activities in Alexandria since 1984. He is a retired security professional who was in charge of safety and compliance for National Geographic, a challenging endeavor given the magazine's work documenting the wild Earth. Mr. Curry previously served on the Traffic and Parking Board and Board of Zoning Appeals, giving him ample experience to tackle the workload of this advisory board. As a member of the board, Mr. Curry's goal would be to ensure that all needs are considered and that the safety of all users is taken into account.

It is my hope that, should you accept this nomination, you will find Mr. Curry's experience and dedication to his community to be an asset to the city.

Sincerely,

Jay Still
Alexandria, VA

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Gloria Sitton

From: Paul Judge <ptsjudge@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 6:39 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]TPB member!

Please make Michael Curry a Traffic and Parking Board member, today.

Thanks
PAUL JUDGE, Col(r)
Ft Williams Parkway

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Gloria Sitton

From: rpdwoman@aol.com
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 5:58 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]

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Michael Curry for Traffic and Parking board. Yes! I want him

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Gloria Sitton

From: Fran Vogel <fran.vogel@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 5:51 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Endorsement of Harold Curry to fill vacancy on the Traffic and Parking Board

Importance: High

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Hello Ms. Sitton.

I am writing to endorse Harold Curry to fill a vacancy on the Traffic and Parking Board (T&PB). I personally know Mr. Curry and strongly believe he is more than qualified to sit on this Board.

Mr. Curry's background as a retired safety professional who was in charge of safety and compliance for National Geographic provides for a judicial perspective. He previously served on the T&PB and as Chair of the BZA so this experience will provide a well-rounded understanding of the City's process.

He will be a measured presence who will listen and make balanced and fair decisions with keeping safety in the forefront.

Respectfully,

Fran Vogel
41 N. Early Street
Alexandria, VA 22304

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Gloria Sitton

From: Kitty <thecat751@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 5:49 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: Re: Traffic and Parking Board

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Please appoint Michael Curry to the Traffic and Parking Board vacancy.

Thank you.

Kitty Ray
3705 Fort Worth Avenue
Alexandria, Va. 22304

Sent from my iPhone

Gloria Sitton

From: Kathryn Salerno <kathryn.salerno@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 5:38 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Traffic and Parking Board

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Good evening Gloria, as a resident of Alexandria's West End, I would like Michael Curry to be on the Traffic and Parking Board. He will be fair, transparent, and will use data to make decisions.

Thank you

Kathryn Salerno

Cameron Station

Sent from my iPad

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Gloria Sitton

From: CHRISTINA LYTLE <tinalytle@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2020 5:37 PM
To: Gloria Sitton
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Traffic and parking board

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I support and recommend Michael Curry's application to the Traffic and Parking Board.

Thank you.
Christina Lytle
3925 Colonel Ellis Ave

703-217-7973

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Amy C. Hillis

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amychristinehillis@gmail.com

Twenty-Eight Garden Drive | Alexandria, VA 22304

9 March 2020

Mayor Wilson and Council Persons,

I am writing to express extreme concern regarding the direction the addressing Alexandria's traffic concerns and to request that you appoint

Mr. Michael Curry for the forthcoming vacant position in the Traffic and Parking Board of Alexandria.

I have owned property in the West End of Alexandria and voted here for 16 years. I am a proud Democrat and I am very concerned about the lack of transparency and consistent, productive outreach with the citizens here -- of all parties -- about traffic initiatives and growth plans in the city. I know I am not alone in my concerns or in my desire for more constructive engagement from the city government regarding traffic issues. It is my understanding that Mr. Curry vows to bring transparency to the board and a new voice regarding these issues facing the city.

As a lifelong Democrat, I am concerned that a city government dominated by those in my party are pushing initiatives -- such as road diets, ballooning real estate taxes, and school collocation ventures -- without hard data and thoughtful study before voting. I am equally concerned about a dismissiveness from leadership regarding concerns of Alexandrians after the road diet on Seminary Road was conducted. The practical results of this road diet have not been in line with predictions or accurately represented by the mayor in his public appearances. This is not what my party stands for; and for the first time in my life, I am questioning whether my party is right to continue governing the city I have called home for so long.

We need leaders who are not ideologues; we need leaders who find compromise to be among the most important tools in governing.

I believe appointing Mr. Curry would be a step in demonstrating that our government will embrace compromise, engage all voices and opinions and advise our city in line with the articulated needs of its residents, not in accordance with an external agenda.

I request the correspondence be immediately shared with the mayor and councilpersons prior to the TP&B meeting planned for 10 March 2020.

Thank you for your attention. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amy C. Hillis', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Amy C. Hillis