

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, Anne Arundel County is experiencing substantial population growth, an employment increase, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, Transportation services should be improved within Anne Arundel County to provide the public with efficient transportation to locations inside and outside the County; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Department of Transportation and its Mass Transit Administration and local governments are the governmental units responsible for operating and improving the transit system in the Baltimore area and for coordinating transportation services statewide; and

~~WHEREAS, The State supports the MPA Suburban Transit Program and future express and local bus services connecting locations in Baltimore City to locations within Anne Arundel County, including Brooklyn Park, and the high growth areas of Glen Burnie, Annapolis, Severna Park, Crofton, Odenton, the Fort Smallwood/Mountain Road corridors, and the Baltimore Washington International Airport employment area; and~~

WHEREAS, The State supports the study of the development of a light rail transit line in Anne Arundel County connecting Baltimore City and the areas of Glen Burnie, Linthicum, Annapolis, and the Baltimore-Washington International Airport; and now, therefore, be it

~~WHEREAS, The light rail transit line and the coordinated and expanded bus service will greatly enhance opportunities for those who live and work in Anne Arundel County; now, therefore, be it~~

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That these vital public transportation proposals be developed to serve existing residential areas and employment areas, to relieve congested roads, and to respond to continued population growth, employment increase, and economic development in Anne Arundel County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Maryland Department of Transportation and its Mass Transit Administration initiate ~~actions which will lead to rapid implementation and completion of the light rail transit line and the full suburban bus network~~ a study of the possible development of the light rail transit line, expansion of the suburban bus network, and other transportation development alternatives in Anne Arundel County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr., Speaker of the House of