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	Subject	City Council Bill #15-0538: Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Department of Transportation - \$6,500,000		

June 16, 2015

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
City Hall, Rm. 400

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill #15-0538: Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Department of Transportation – \$6,500,000. The legislation would provide funding for the operating expenses incurred for the response to winter weather events.

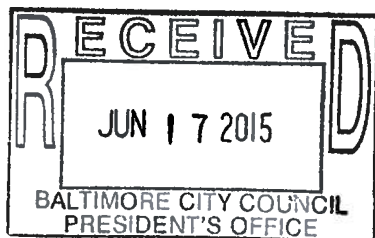
The Department of Transportation (DOT) responded to fourteen winter weather activations during Fiscal Year 2015. During that time, the City witnessed a total snow accumulation of 28.7 inches. We also worked through several extended winter weather activations as a result of freezing rain and/or sleet.

In response to these snow, freezing rain, and sleet events, DOT realized significant expenses. These expenses came in the form of contractual snow removal, road salting materials, vehicle maintenance, and overtime expenses. While the total cost of the winter season is projected to be \$14.1 million, we are partially offsetting some of these expenses by other savings within the department. However, we still require this \$6.5 million appropriation to ensure that our FY '15 budget is balanced.

DOT therefore urges a favorable report on City Council Bill #15-0538.

Respectfully,


William M. Johnson
Director



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