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To: Council President Nick Mosby

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Dear Council President Nick J. Mosby,

I am writing in reference to the introduction of 24-0209R - Informational Hearing - Examining Baltimore's Bike Infrastructure.

I strongly support Baltimore's Complete Streets Ordinance and Manual, the modal hierarchy that places people walking, biking, and taking public transportation first, and investments in creating an all-ages and abilities bike network across the city.

The walkability and bike-friendly streets here in Baltimore are some of the first features I mention when I tell friends and family the reasons I like living in Baltimore.

It is heartbreaking that members of the Council are considering abandoning Complete Streets and leaving the citizens that benefit from this infrastructure out to dry.

Truly heartbreaking.

PLEASE reconsider!

Despite broad recognition of Baltimore's successes with Complete Streets and bike infrastructure, the leadership of Baltimore City Council and some councilmembers continue to waste taxpayers' time and money taking dozens of meetings with a small, vocal contingent of opposition. They are potentially jeopardizing the city's access to hundreds of millions of federal dollars for lifesaving complete streets treatments and public transit construction by holding these hearings that end up being nothing more than public displays of opposition to global best practices, embarrassing our elected officials on the national stage.

I urge Baltimore City Council to stop empowering this nonsense and instead focus on empowering our agencies to implement road designs following the city's Complete Streets Ordinance and Separated Lane Network Plan.

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