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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 E Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 20-0540		

TO: Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young
TO: Judiciary Committee
FROM: Department of Transportation
POSITION: **Support**
RE: Council Bill – 20-0540

DATE: 8/3/20

INTRODUCTION – Corrective - City Streets - Renaming Violet Hill White Way to Violet Hill Whyte Way

PURPOSE/PLANS – For the purpose of changing the name of Violet Hill White Way, which is located between the 700 blocks of West Lexington Street and West Fayette Street and before Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, to Violet Hill Whyte Way.

COMMENTS – Council Bill 20-0540 looks to correct a spelling error dating back to 1998 where West Rose Aurd Place was renamed in honor of Violet Hill Whyte. Unfortunately, the street renaming involved a spelling error, displaying Whyte’s last name incorrectly as White. Violet Hill Whyte is a historical figure of Baltimore City, serving as the first ever African American woman to be appointed to the Baltimore City Police Department.

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION – The Department of Transportation foresees no significant fiscal or operational impact resulting from the advancement of Council Bill 20-0540. The Department of Transportation concurs with the need correct the roadway name spelling error and **supports** City Council bill 20-050.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Steve Sharkey
Director