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|                  | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | Department of Transportation (DOT)<br>417 E Fayette Street, Room 527 | BALTIMORE |  |
|                  | SUBJECT               | City Council Resolution 21-0023R                                     | ΜΕΜΟ      |  |

DATE: 3/16/21

TO: Mayor Brandon M. Scott TO: Ways & Means Committee FROM: Department of Transportation POSITION: **Support** RE: Council Resolution – 21-0023R

**<u>INTRODUCTION</u>** – Informational Hearing - "1% for Art" Program

<u>PURPOSE/PLANS</u> – For the purpose of inviting representatives from the Public Arts Commission, the Baltimore Development Corporation, the Parking Authority, the Planning Department, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Department of Transportation, the Mayor's Office, the Department of Finance, and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts to discuss the continued administration of the "1% for Art" program.

<u>COMMENTS</u> – Council Resolution 20-0023R calls on the Public Arts Commission, the Baltimore Development Corporation, the Parking Authority, the Planning Department, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Department of Transportation, the Mayor's Office, the Department of Finance, and the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts to participate in a public hearing focused on the City's "1% for Art" Program.

DOT is an active participant in the City's "1% for Art" Program, helping to implement and create new public art for members of the public to enjoy on the City's extensive network of public right-of-way. The agency looks forward to discussing both the successes and challenges associated with the program that dates back to former Mayor William Donald Schaefer. DOT is committed to considering ways the program can be administered more efficiently, allowing for the program to continue and operate as originally intended.

<u>AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION</u> – The Department of Transportation supports Council Resolution 21-0023R.

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