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Supporting the 2014 Transportation Bond Referendum

Background

On Tuesday, 4 November, Fairfax County voters will be asked to vote YES or NO on a $100 million transportation bond referendum in the general election.

WHEREAS if approved, the bond issue will fund specific projects included in Fairfax County’s 6-year transportation priorities plan for 2015-2020, which include:

- Spot road improvements to increase roadway capacity, reduce congestion, improve safety, and improve transit access ($16 million);

- Pedestrian improvements to improve capacity, enhance safety and complete missing pedestrian links that connect neighborhoods, and improve access to schools, Metrorail stations and activity centers ($77.5 million); and

- Bicycle improvements that include developing new bicycle facilities, constructing trails, adding bicycle parking and enhancing accessibility ($6.5 million).

WHEREAS the full list of projects is provided at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond/projectlist.htm;

WHEREAS due to the flexibility of bond funds, these roadway, pedestrian, and bicycle projects can be funded and implemented efficiently and expeditiously; and

WHEREAS these projects were identified through extensive public outreach and engagement, conducted by the county over the past two years under the auspices of the Countywide Dialogue on Transportation;

THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations hereby announce our endorsement of passage of the Fairfax transportation bond issue and recommend that our member organizations and affiliated District Councils urge their residents to vote yes on the $100 million transportation bond referendum in the general election.