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Office of the Mayor
Gavin Buckley, Mayor
160 Duke of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401-2517

January 27, 2020

To: Alderpersons, City of Annapolis

From: Mayor Gavin Buckley

Re: Transportation Board appointment

Pending your approval, I would like to appoint Ms. Elvia Hernandez Thompson to the Transportation Board. Ms. Thompson is a business owner on Maryland Avenue and a member of the Maryland Avenue State Circle Business Association. This appointment fills a vacancy on the board.

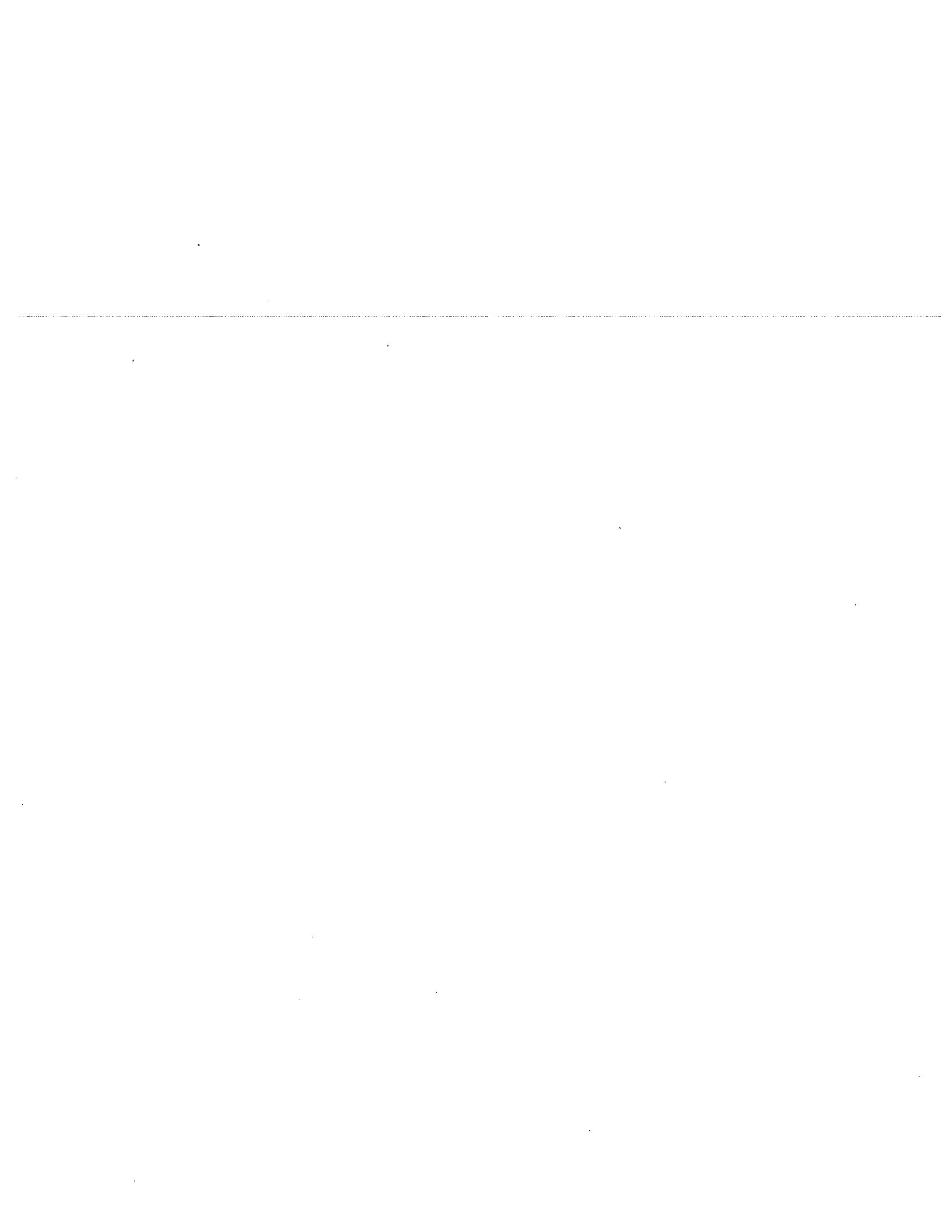
Elvia Hernandez Thompson
PO BOX 3376
Annapolis MD 21403

A copy of her resume is attached.

Thank You.

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Reviewed by: <u>Transportation Committee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Favorable	<input type="checkbox"/> Unfavorable
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Committee Chair	Date



Elvia Hernández Thompson

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SUMMARY

- Over 40 years of experience in senior-level representation, communications, program presentation, policy development and analysis, and marketing
- Extensive expertise in distilling complex scientific concepts into clear, understandable terms suitable for presentation to non-technical audiences via traditional and new media, including the Internet
- Skilled in design for web and print
- Skilled in public speaking and interpersonal relations
- Fluent in Spanish and Portuguese, conversational in French

Ms. Thompson is the co-founder and president of Annapolis Green, an award-winning nonprofit organization dedicated to local environmental efforts in the Annapolis area whose mission is to connect, inform, and inspire Annapolis area residents, organizations and businesses to care for the environment, live more responsibly and create a more beautiful and thriving community.

A retired federal government official, Ms. Thompson has managed public outreach staff and worked as a public relations specialist in federal and local government and as a journalist and newspaper editor.

She is skilled and experienced in writing, public speaking, and interpersonal relations across all levels. She is a published author of several general interest and professional articles, and was president and founder of a successful small business specializing in marketing, graphics and publication design, website design and development, document editing, and conference planning.

Ms. Thompson is familiar with radio and television production techniques and the needs and operation of newsrooms. She produced and hosted a one-hour weekly program about the environment on a local radio station for five years.

She is a photographer and is knowledgeable in composition and color theory applicable to the graphic arts.

Ms. Thompson holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Florida International University. She has been a Presidential Management Intern and an Excellence in Government Fellow and has received numerous performance and special recognition awards.

She is a former president of Women in Aerospace and was honored by the organization with a lifetime service award. She served on the Board of the Annapolis Maritime Museum and the Spa Creek Conservancy among other organizations.

In 2009 she was honored with the "Severn River Champion" award by the Severn Riverkeeper. In 2019 she was an honoree of the YWCA TWIN award. She is a Master Watershed Steward and a 2011 graduate of Leadership Anne Arundel.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ANNAPOLIS GREEN President & Cofounder	2006-Present
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION Public Affairs Specialist Policy Analyst, International Space Station Office	1991- 2006 Congressional Liaison Officer Senior Policy Analyst, Space Shuttle Program
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY Director for Industry Programs	1987-1991
DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY SECURITY ADMINISTRATION Director of Industry and Governmental Liaison	1983-1987
US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Presidential Management Intern (PMI)	1980-1983
METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY GOVERNMENT Director of Administration, Community Development Block Grant Program Executive Assistant to the President's Liaison to the Cuban Community during the 1980 Mariel boatlift.	1978-1980
JOURNAL PUBLISHING COMPANY, KNIGHT RIDER NEWSPAPERS Reporter and Section Editor	1974-1978

SMALL BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

1996- 2008: Founder and President of Stellar Presentations, Inc., a successful small business specializing in marketing, website development and design, graphics and publication design, document editing, and conference planning.

NONPROFIT EXPERIENCE

2006-Present: Co-founder and president of Annapolis Green, an award-winning nonprofit organization dedicated to local environmental efforts in the Annapolis area whose mission is to connect, inform, and inspire Annapolis area residents, organizations and businesses to care for the environment, live more responsibly and create a more beautiful and thriving community.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Excellence in Government Fellow	General Defense Intelligence Certificate of Merit, DIA	Presidential Management Intern
Manned Flight Awareness Honoree, NASA	Superior Accomplishment Award, NASA	Severn River Champion
Women in Aerospace Lifetime Service Award	Writing Awards, Knight-Ridder Newspapers, Suburban Division	YWCA TWIN Awardee

Numerous Citations from the City of Annapolis, Anne Arundel County and State of Maryland

EDUCATION

- Master of Public Administration, Florida International University
- Bachelor of Arts in Hispanic American Studies & Broadcast Journalism, University of Miami
- Study aboard in Salamanca, Spain

PUBLICATIONS

Academic papers on national security issues presented at conferences of the American Society for Public Administration; professional articles in *The Journal for Public Managers*; articles in various general interest publications, such as *Miami Magazine*; *The Annapolis Capital Gazette*, *What's Up Annapolis*, *Pirates Magazine*, and instructional articles in recreational sailing newsletters.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Current Positions: Board Secretary of the Electric Vehicle Association of Greater DC, Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council
- Former Positions: Back Creek Conservancy Board of Directors, Spa Creek Conservancy Board of Directors, Annapolis Maritime Museum Board of Directors and Board Secretary, Anne Arundel County Steering Committee of the Maryland League of Conservation Voters, Eastport Business Association Vice President, Women in Aerospace President, Pentagon Sailing Club Commodore
- Master Watershed Steward
- Graduate of Leadership Anne Arundel

