1 ..Title 2 Regional Transit - For the purpose of expressing the sense of the City Council that the concept of regional transit warrants further exploration with the jurisdictions that are interested in 3 pursuing a regional transportation entity. 4 5 ..Body CITY COUNCIL OF THE 6 City of Annapolis 7 8 Resolution 16-14 9 10 11 Introduced by: Mayor Pantelides and Alderman Budge 12 13 Referred to **Transportation Committee** 14 15 16 A RESOLUTION concerning 17 **Regional Transit** 18 **FOR** the purpose of expressing the sense of the City Council that the concept of regional transit warrants further exploration with the jurisdictions that are interested in pursuing a 19 20 regional transportation entity. 21 22 WHEREAS, the City Council adopted R-28-13 on June 10, 2013 that expressed the sense 23 of the Annapolis City Council for the Administration to move forward with negotiating a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Central Maryland 24 Transportation & Mobility Consortium and to participate in a non-binding way 25 26 with respect to the Request for Proposals; and 27 28 WHEREAS, Howard County has provided the City of Annapolis with a proposed Memorandum of Understanding that would govern the cooperative efforts to 29 establish an efficient and effective coordinated regional fixed-route and 30 31 paratransit bus system throughout central Maryland to be branded and referred to as the "Regional Transportation Agency of Central Maryland" (or "RTA"); and 32 33 WHEREAS. Howard County has set a March 25, 2014 deadline for the City to sign the MOU 34 on the RTA in order to begin regional service on July 1, 2014; and 35 36 WHEREAS, 37 the City continues to engage with all interested jurisdiction to evaluate the proposed approach to regional transit service and how it will impact current 38 39 transportation operations for our ridership and City Department of Transportation employees; and 40 41 42 43 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that it is the

sense of the City Council to further explore the concept of regional transit with the jurisdictions

that are interested in pursuing a regional transportation entity.

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1	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that City staff
2	should continue to engage with all interested jurisdictions in order to evaluate the impacts that
3	joining the RTA would have on the City's transportation ridership and Department of
4	Transportation employees.
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7	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that participation in
8	a regional transit system shall not move forward without express approval from the City Council.
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10	EXPLANATION
11	CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.
12	Strikethrough indicates matter stricken from existing law.
13	<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments.