

November 20, 2019

Chairman Phil Mendelson  
Council of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504  
Washington, DC 20004

RE: PR 23-542, Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Stephanie Gidigbi Appointment Resolution of 2019

Dear Chairman Mendelson,

I am writing in support of Stephanie Gidigbi's nomination to the Board of Directors for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). During my tenure as Secretary for the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT), Stephanie distinguished herself as a collaborative thought leader; particularly on issues related to transportation equity, access, and economic inclusion.

Stephanie consistently demonstrated strong moral character, possessed a solid work ethic, and selflessly served with integrity. She resourcefully tackled barriers and elevated best practices that supported public investment strategies. As a result, Stephanie garnered the respect of colleagues, career staff, advocates, and elected officials across the nation

Stephanie exhibits objective foresight to address impending conflicts. She possesses sector specific insight and ability to provide critical oversight. A dedicated community advocate, Stephanie is passionate about improving the lives of others. Her success comes from a steadfast dedication to excellence and commitment to service. I am confident that Ms. Gidigbi will become a valued addition to the WMATA Board.

Sincerely,



Anthony R. Foxx