RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT LEGISLATION

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2018, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments released a report entitled "Traffic Incident Management in the National Capital Region" which provided seven priority recommendations to improve the quick and safe resolution of traffic incidents region wide;

WHEREAS, during the 2019 General Assembly Session, legislation was introduced that would have allowed traffic incident management ("TIM") vehicles owned or operated by the Virginia Department of Transportation to be equipped with flashing lights and sirens; and

WHEREAS, this legislation would ensure our current transportation infrastructure is utilized in the most safe and efficient manner, and would benefit citizens across the Commonwealth – especially congested regions such as Northern Virginia, Hampton Roads, and the I-81 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the prompt arrival of TIM professionals has been shown in other states to significantly alleviate traffic congestion, and improve safety by mitigating secondary crashes; and

WHEREAS, the smooth flow of traffic improves public safety, and decreases safety challenges and costs for commuters and, ultimately, the economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors hereby supports, and encourages other local governments to support, legislation in the 2020 General Assembly Session that would allow traffic incident management vehicles along Statewide Safety Service Patrol Routes to be equipped with flashing lights and sirens.

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	Aye	Nay		
Mr. Dill				
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Ms. Mallek				
Ms. McKeel				
Ms. Palmer				
Mr Randolph				