# Transportation: (Please provide your response on a separate sheet).

# Going into WMATA's FY2019 budget season, politicians, community groups, labor, and business groups have weighed in on the dedicated funding debate. If you are elected, what would you propose to provide WMATA dedicated funding, and how would you navigate the politics of the situation and unite the jurisdictions around your proposal?

In our 2018 Session, I cosponsored and voted for dedicated funding legislation. I am proud to say we approved $167 million for this purpose. It was a bipartisan effort supported by the Governor. Virginia and the District of Columbia also are doing their part.

# In the last few months, there have been several major safety concerns that have been raised publicly?

These concerns should be addressed immediately.

# ATU Local 689 leadership and members. From operator assaults to issues with the 7000 series trains, the public has seen that WMATA management doesn't seem to be able to create a true safety culture at WMATA. How would you work with and support employees who raise safety concerns and are ignored?

I have always maintained an open door policy and I would hope support employees would raise their safety concerns directly with me. I would be glad to meet with management on their behalf to address these concerns.

# In addition, how would you work with labor to help tackle the larger issue of establishing a safety culture at WMATA and solving some of the recent safety issues, like operator assault, that have been brought to the forefront?

I believe in face to face meetings with labor and have very open discussions. I think we can work out some solutions together.

# With the recent revelation that WMATA and ATU Local 689 have reached an impasse in negotiations due to their inability to agree regarding the employee's defined benefit pension, many politicians and advocates for privatization have tried to make a case for lowering "labor costs" by eliminating hard earned, very basic worker protections. How would you champion worker protections and change the narrative surrounding "labor costs" and defined benefit pension costs?

I believe when you move away from defined benefits the workers always lose. I never supported privatization to lower labor costs.

# In the last six months, there has been a lot of discussion surrounding the possibility of the establishment of a federal control board to run WMATA. If that happened, the possibility of eliminating legally binding labor contracts would become a reality, endangering thousands of workers. What are your thoughts regarding the takeover of a federal control board and would you be open to adding a labor seat to the WMATA Board?

I do not support a federal control board and would be open to adding a labor seat to the WMATA Board.

# Bail Reform: (Please provide your response on a separate sheet).

# Under the current money bail system, judges in Maryland typically set financial conditions of release, with little consideration as to whether the defendant can meet them. Defendants must then either pay the court or a commercial bail bondsman to get out of jail. Those who can’t afford bond often remain incarcerated until their cases go to trial, sometimes for periods of weeks or longer.

# Maryland’s highest court approved key changes to the state’s bail system, setting into motion a reform designed to keep defendants from languishing in jail before trial simply because they’re poor, do you support Bail Reform Efforts?

Yes, I support the bail reform efforts suggested by Maryland’s highest court.

# Confederate Monuments and Memorials: (Please provide your response on a separate sheet).

# At the federal level, legislation is being proposed that would prohibit the use of taxpayer funds for the creation, maintenance, or display of any Confederate symbols on Federal property.  The Federal proposal defines “Confederate symbol” as a Confederate battle flag, any symbol or other signage that

# honors the Confederacy, any monument or statue that honors a Confederate leader or soldier or the Confederate States of America.  Localities across the nation are having this debate.

# What is your position on this matter?

I support removing Confederate statues.

# Should there be legislation removing Confederate symbols from libraries, parks, streets, and public buildings?

I am not sure about legislation because you simply cannot rewrite history. It is important that our history is maintained and that we learn from it.

# Candidate (Please Print Legibly): \_\_\_\_Charles Barkley\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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