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MURIEL BOWSER  
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The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504  
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01) and pursuant to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact, approved November 6, 1966 (80 Stat. 1324; D.C. Official Code § 9-1107.01), and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Act, effective April 27, 2013 (D.C. Law 19-286; D.C. Official Code § 9-1108.11), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

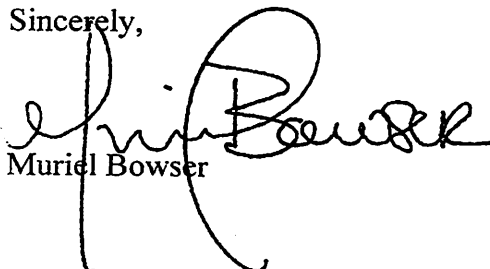
Mr. Jeff Marootian  
1623 6<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
(Ward 6)

for appointment as an alternate member of the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, replacing Leif Dormsjo, for the remainder of an unexpired term to end June 30, 2018.

Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed emergency resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

  
Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson  
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,  
which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.

To confirm the appointment of Mr. Jeff Marootian to the Board of Directors of the Washington  
Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
resolution may be cited as the "Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit  
Authority Jeff Marootian Confirmation Emergency Approval Resolution of 2017".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Mr. Jeff Marootian  
1623 6th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
(Ward 6)

as an alternate member of the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit  
Authority, pursuant to section 5(a) of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority  
Compact Approval Act, approved November 6, 1966 (80 Stat. 1324; D.C. Official Code § 9-  
1107.01), and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors Act,  
effective April 27, 2013 (D.C. Law 19-286; D.C. Official Code § 9-1108.11), replacing Leif  
Dormsjo, for the remainder of an unexpired term to end June 30, 2018.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,  
upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Washington, DC

Present

**Interim Director/Deputy Director**

*Mayoral appointee responsible for management of the 900-employee agency with a \$500 million budget.*

- Oversee daily operations and long-term planning including transit operations, traffic signal control, public space regulation, urban forestry, streetlight management and parking policy.
- Implement Vision Zero priorities across all eight wards of the District of Columbia and work to resolve public safety issues at high crash intersections.
- Work across federal, state and local government agencies to drive the Mayor's transportation, economic development and environmental justice priorities.
- Collaborate to deliver public-private-partnerships for technologies including LED streetlights.
- Manage 10-person senior leadership team and foster an inclusive workplace consistent with the values of the Government of the District of Columbia.
- Engage with industry partners, elected officials, and the broader community to ensure effective public relations.
- Speak on the record on behalf of the Department including television, radio and print.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Washington, DC

2013–2017

**Assistant Secretary for Administration, 2015–2017**

*As direct report and advisor to Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx, supervised team of 15 senior executives and 400 federal employees, overseeing management of 55,000-employee agency.*

- Oversaw the Department's management functions and strategic planning processes.
- Handled procurement, grants and security contracts. Managed Departmental assets and facilities.
- Oversaw \$182 million working capital fund.
- Served as Chief Human Capital Officer and supervised Department-wide human resources, including labor relations, training and diversity.
  - Championed initiatives to improve employee experience.
  - Raised employee satisfaction scores by 10% and strengthened performance in the Best Places to Work survey.
  - Created the Department's first ever onboarding program for senior executives to increase retention.
- Served as chief sustainability officer and point person for electric vehicles and alternative fuels.
  - Achieved projected \$5M cost savings by consolidating shared building-management services.
  - Oversaw internal effort leading to Department's 2x renewable energy use in a single year.
  - Led the agency-wide programmatic restructuring to obtain a 26 percent reduction in petroleum consumption and a 20 percent increase in water use efficiency.
  - Presented at policy conference hosted by UC Berkeley with 500+ attendees.
  - Developed and implemented guidance for President Obama's Executive Orders on climate change.

**White House Liaison, 2013–2015**

*Served as US DOT liaison to the Office of Presidential Personnel. Senior official charged with hiring and managing political appointees.*

- Recruited and hired 50 DOT political appointees. Co-supervised 100 appointees across the agency.
- Restructured, rebranded and hired new leadership for national regulatory agencies, including the Federal Transit Administration, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.
- Facilitated daily exchange of sensitive information with the White House Office of Cabinet Affairs.
- Led effort to build and brand the congressionally mandated Innovative Finance Bureau.
  - Hired the Executive Director and Deputy Director.
  - Oversaw renovation of 8,000 square feet of office space.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE/OBAMA FOR AMERICA, Washington, DC 2011–2013

**Director of LGBT Outreach**

*Served as point person for LGBT issues during the 2012 campaign.*

- Collaborated with 2,000 national leaders to build coalition of grassroots and grassroots supporters.
- Presented at DNC fundraisers and LGBT caucus with 500+ attendees.
- Managed schedules and operations for all DNC Officers and Vice Chairs.

DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Washington, DC 2008–2011

**Director, Office of Customer Service**

*Agency that manages and maintains publicly owned transportation infrastructure in the District.*

- Served as community and intergovernmental liaison for agency services.
- Improved agency performance by 200% in FY2010 and FY2011.
- Directed team of ten individuals, including communications staff and community outreach officers.
- Built coalitions with elected officials and national leaders around strategic agency goals.

METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, Washington, DC 2003–2008

**Manager for Community Partnerships/Legislative Analyst**

*Sixth-largest municipal police force in the U.S. with approximately 3,900 officers and 400 civilian staff.*

- Directed team of ten sworn and civilian police officials with broad community outreach portfolio.
- Designed sensitivity training programs for sworn police officers.
- Served as agency’s point of contact for Congress, the Office of the Mayor and the DC Council.
- Coordinated public engagement and local and federal legislative analysis and testimony for Chief of Police and senior command staff. Managed legislative issues for the department.

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## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DC 2016-Present

**Adjunct Professor**

*Graduate Level*

- Trachtenberg School for Public Policy and Public Administration  
“The Politics of Management”

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## EDUCATION

Master of Arts, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C. 2003  
Public Administration

Bachelor of Arts, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C. 2001  
Sociology & Human Services



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## Jeff Marootian



Jeff Marootian is the Interim Director of the District Department of Transportation.

Mr. Marootian joined DDOT from the US Department of Transportation, where he served under Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx from 2013 to 2017. He was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as the White House Liaison from 2013 to 2015 where he worked alongside the heads of the federal regulatory agencies to promote President Obama's transportation agenda.

In 2015, Mr. Marootian was promoted to serve as the Department's Assistant Secretary for Administration. In that capacity, he oversaw the management functions of the 55,000-employee agency including human resources, facilities, procurement, and security. He was also the Department's Chief Sustainability Officer. Mr. Marootian previously worked at DDOT from 2008 through 2011 as the Customer Service Officer, responsible for public engagement activities and relationships with Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners and other city officials. He also was a Capital City Fellow at DDOT in 2004.

A Ward 6 resident, Mr. Marootian received a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Public Administration from George Washington University.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

**To:** Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker  
**From:** Betsy Cavendish  
**Date:** September 13, 2017  
**Subject:** Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions declaring an emergency and nominating Jeffrey Marootian as a member of the Washington Area Transit Authority Board of Directors

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**This is to Certify** that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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Elizabeth Cavendish