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August 13, 2014

Linda H. Lamone  
State Elections Administrator  
151 West Street, Suite 200  
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**Re: *Ballot Language***

Dear Ms. Lamone:

Pursuant to Section 7-103(c) of the Elections Law ("EL") Article of the Maryland Code, I have prepared and hereby certify to you "the information required under [EL § 7-103(b)], for all statewide ballot questions" as follows:

**Question 1**

**Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 422 of the 2013 Legislative Session)  
Transportation Trust Fund – Use of Funds**

(Amending Article III by adding Section 53 to the Maryland Constitution)

Limits the use of Transportation Trust Funds to the payment of principal and interest on transportation bonds and for constructing and maintaining an adequate highway system or any other transportation-related purpose. Also prohibits the transfer of Transportation Trust Funds into the General Fund or a special fund of the State, except for: (1) an allocation or use of highway user revenues for local governments or (2) a transfer of funds to the Maryland Transportation Authority or the Maryland Transportation Authority Fund. Transportation Trust Funds may be used for non-transportation related purposes or transferred to the general fund or a special fund only if the Governor declares a fiscal emergency and the General Assembly approves legislation, by a three-fifths vote of both houses, concurring with the use or transfer of the funds.

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**Question 2**

**Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 261 of the 2014 Legislative Session)  
Special Election to fill Vacancy in Office of Chief Executive Officer or  
County Executive**

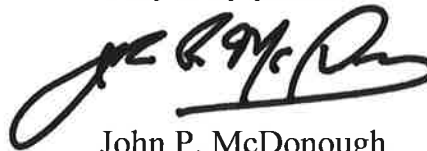
(Amending Article XI-A, Section 3 and Article XVIII, Section 2 of the  
Maryland Constitution)

Authorizes charter counties to provide for special elections to fill a vacancy  
in the office of chief executive officer or county executive, and exempts a  
special election to fill a vacancy in the office of chief executive officer or  
county executive of a charter county from the constitutional requirement  
that elections for State and county officers be held on a specified four-year  
cycle. Under existing law, charter counties may only authorize special  
elections to fill vacancies on the county council.

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Please let me know if you will also need an electronic version of the language.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John P. McDonough". The signature is stylized and written over a horizontal line.

John P. McDonough  
Secretary of State

cc: Dan Friedman,  
Counsel to the Office of the Secretary of State