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July 11, 2019

The Honorable Felicia A. Moore
Members of the Atlanta City Council
City Hall 2nd Floor, Suite 2900
55 Trinity Avenue, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: Ordinance 19-O-1234

Dear President Moore and Members of the Atlanta City Council:

On July 1, 2019, the Atlanta City Council adopted Ordinance 19-O-1234 authorizing the General Manager of Renew Atlanta/TSPLOST Program and the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works to implement the conversion of Baker Street, NW between Centennial Olympic Park Drive, NW and Piedmont Avenue, NE for two-way operation; and for other purposes.

The Atlanta Transportation Plan supports the long-term vision of the current and future mobility needs of Atlanta. Atlanta's Transportation Plan provides policy and project recommendations to create the transportation system the City of Atlanta needs for its future by focusing on reducing congestion, improving access, and supporting economic growth. Atlanta's Transportation Plan outlines numerous transportation investments in Atlanta, including the Baker Street two-way conversion.

As the Downtown area will be the focus of several large-scale development and redevelopment projects, it is critical that the City of Atlanta take a more inclusive look at how major transportation investments, such as the Baker Street two-way conversion, tie together mobility, zoning conversation, preservation and affordable housing. Accordingly, and because my administration is committed to ensuring that major transportation investments are accountable, transparent, and are reached through an informed decision-making process, the proposed Baker Street two-way conversion investment will be the subject of a comprehensive evaluation and a priority project of the newly created Department of Transportation.

Thus, I request that you sustain my veto of Ordinance Number 19-O-1234 to allow a more in-depth analysis of this consequential project.

Sincerely,

Keisha Lance Bottoms