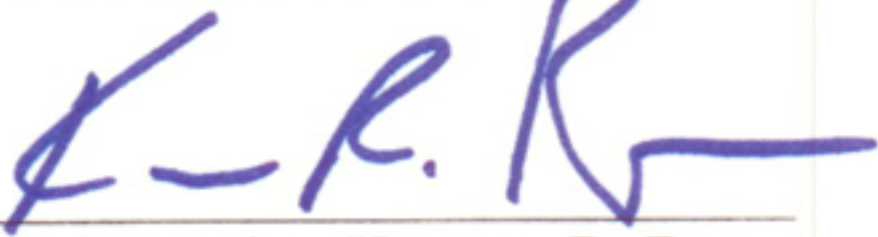
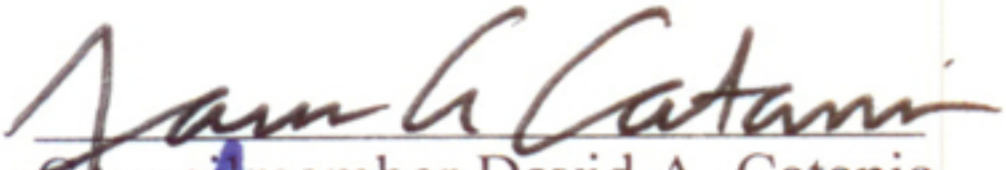


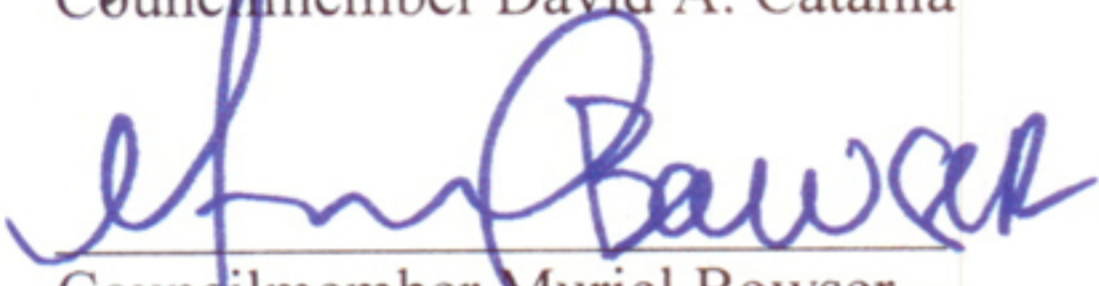
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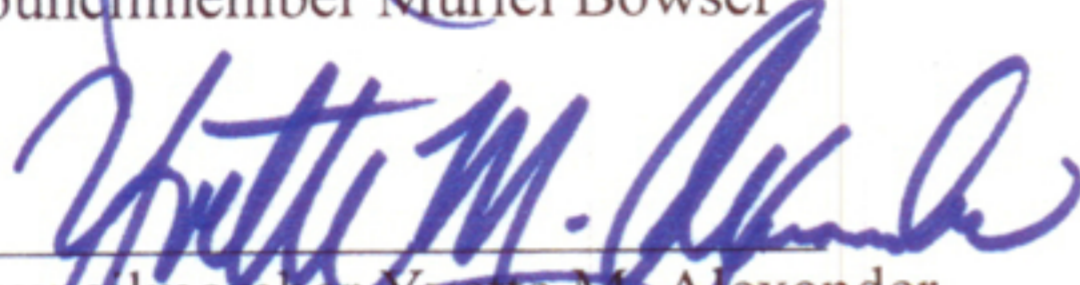
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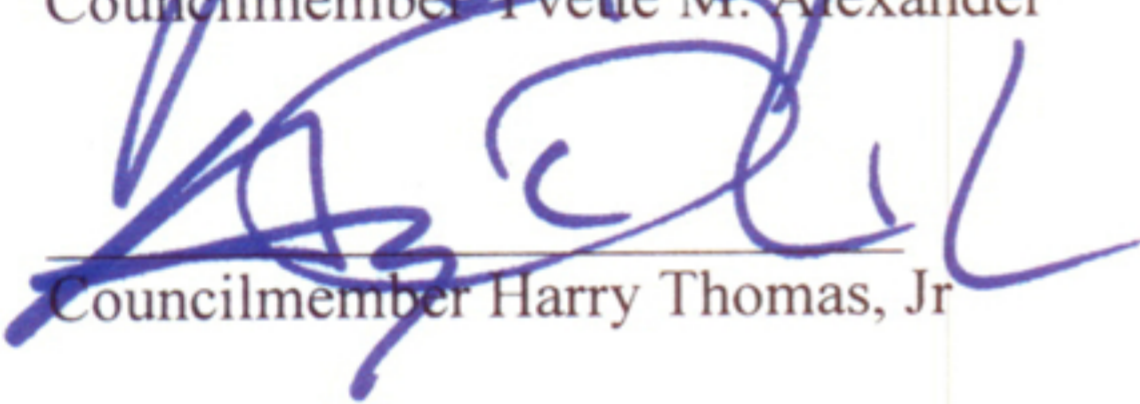
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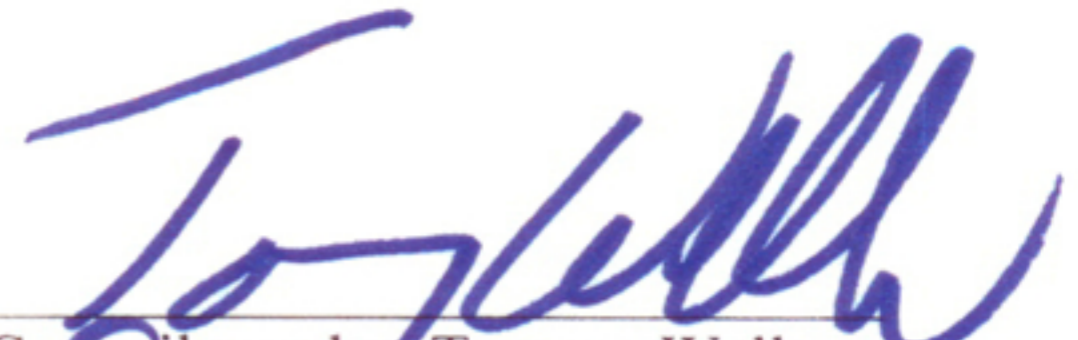
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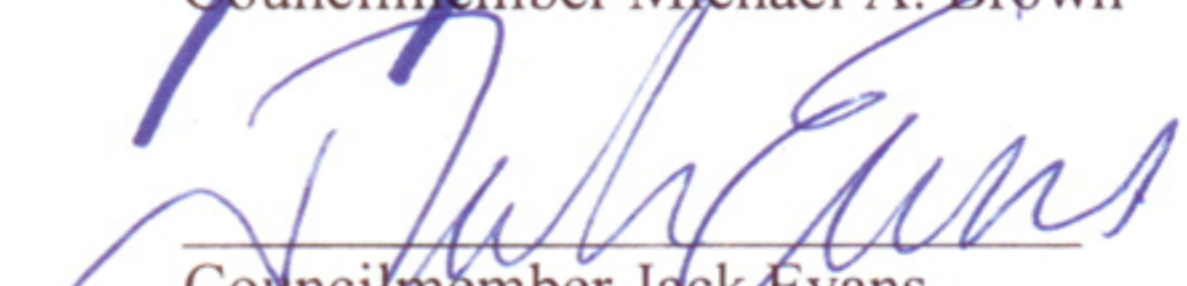
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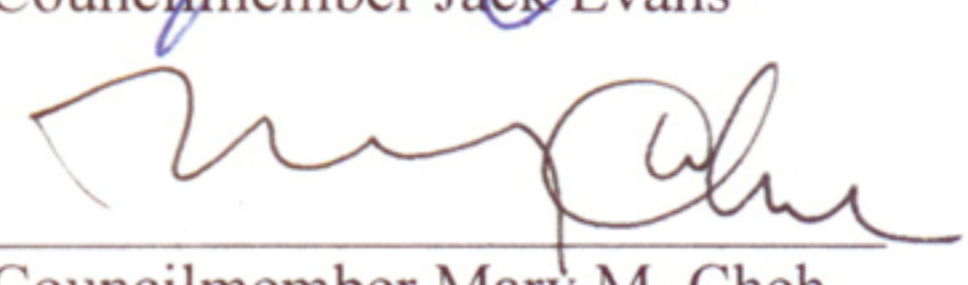
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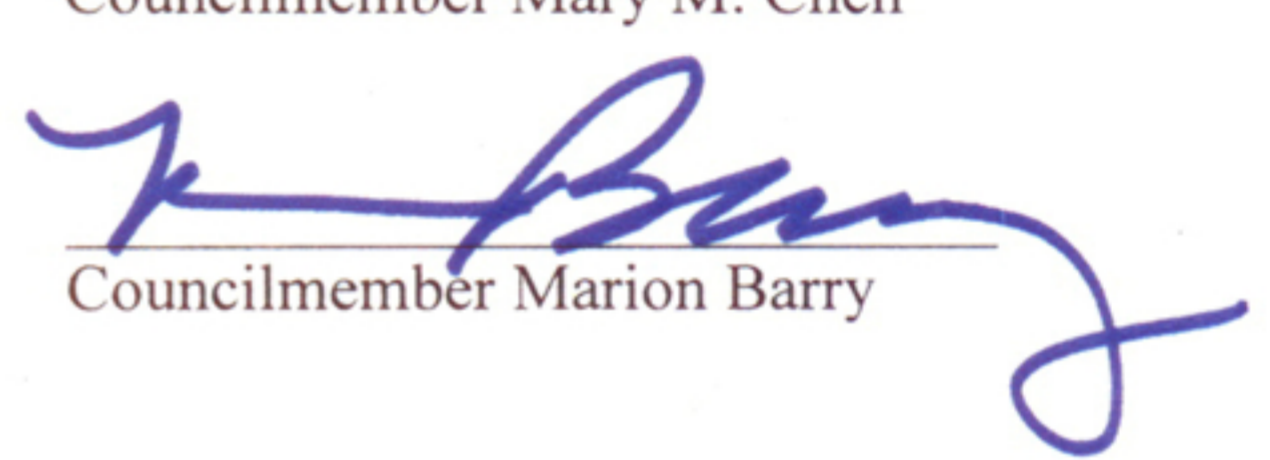
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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Councilmember Tommy Wells, Jim Graham, Vincent C. Gray, Mary M. Cheh, Kwame R. Brown, Michael A. Brown, David A. Catania, Jack Evans, Muriel Bowser, Yvette M. Alexander, Marion Barry and Harry Thomas, Jr. introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on _____.

1 To prohibit the installation of any additional telephone, electric lighting, or other wires over any
2 of the streets or avenues of the City of Washington, except for those aerial wires the
3 Mayor may authorize for the purpose of powering transportation infrastructure projects;
4 to repeal a section of an Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the
5 government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen
6 hundred and eighty-nine, and for other purposes; and to repeal a section of an Act making
7 appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia
8 for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety.

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
11 act may be cited as the “Transportation Infrastructure Amendment Act of 2010”.

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13 Sec. 2. Aerial wires

14 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Mayor of the District of
15 Columbia shall not permit or authorize any additional telephone, electric lighting or other wires
16 to be erected or maintained on or over any of the streets or avenues of the City of Washington (as
17 defined in D.C. Official Code §1-107) beyond those that existed on or before July 18, 1888.

18 (b) The Mayor is authorized to install aerial wires for the purpose of powering
19 transportation infrastructure projects, such as streetcar transit, where aerial-wire power is
20 necessary or, in the Mayor’s determination, is more feasible than other currently available forms
21 of motive power.

22 (1) The installation of aerial wires authorized by this section is limited to the H
23 Street/Benning Road streetcar transit line until the requirements of subsection (b)(2) are met.

24 (2) Prior to the expansion of streetcar transit beyond the H Street/Benning Road
25 line the Mayor shall develop a city-wide plan, subject to Council approval by resolution or
26 deemed approved if the Council fails to take any action to approve or disapprove within 45 days
27 after submission, for the use of aerial wires for the additional streetcar lines and routes, with
28 special attention paid to the view corridors of the federal monumental core.

29 (3) By January 1, 2014, the Mayor shall submit to Council a report, with public
30 comment included, on the feasibility of converting to non-aerial power where aerial wiring has
31 been installed.

1 (4) The installation of aerial wires authorized by this section must comply with:

2 (A.) section 602(a)(6) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
3 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
4 206.02(a)(6));

5 (B.) An Act to regulate the height of buildings in the District of
6 Columbia, approved June 1, 1910 (36 Stat. 452; D.C. Official Code
7 § 6-601.01 *et seq.*); and

8 (C.) all existing federal requirements for consultation with the Architect
9 of the Capitol, the National Park Service, the National Capital
10 Planning Commission, and the U.S. Secret Service.

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12 Sec. 3. Conforming Amendments.

13 (a) The section titled “Telegraph and Telephone Service” of an Act making
14 appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the
15 fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, and for other purposes,
16 approved July 18, 1888 (25 Stat. 323; D.C. Official Code § 34-1901.01), is repealed.

17 (b) The section titled “Repairs Streets, Avenues, and Alleys” of an Act making
18 appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the
19 fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety, and for other purposes, approved
20 March 2, 1889 (25 Stat. 797), is repealed.

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22 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

23 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
24 impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
25 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c))(3)).

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27 Sec. 5. Effective Date.

28 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
29 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as
30 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December

1 24, 1973 (87 Stat.813; D.C. Official Code Sec. § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District
2 of Columbia Register.

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