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GOVERNOR HOGAN ANNOUNCES INSTALLATION OF FIRST TRACKS FOR MDOT MTA PURPLE LINE

Governor Larry Hogan and representatives from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) will take part in a ceremony to announce the installation of the first section of track for the \$5.6 billion Purple Line Light Rail system between New Carrollton and Bethesda. This first section of the total 16.2-mile Purple Line represents a significant milestone. The new Purple Line rail cars will be tested on this test track in 2021.

WHEN: 10:30 a.m., Thursday, September 5, 2019

WHERE: Ellin Road and Hanson Oaks Drive, Lanham, MD 20784

Parking will be available along Ellin Road

NOTE: Ellin Road is closed between Veterans Highway and Hanson Oaks Drive

Best access to Ellin Road is via Harkins Road

WHO: Governor Larry Hogan

Pete K. Rahn, Secretary, Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Kevin Quinn, Administrator, MDOT Maryland Transit Administration Peter van der Waart, Chairman and CEO, Purple Line Transit Partners

NOTE: This event will occur at the edge of an active construction site. Media

members wishing to photograph or record footage of construction work should wear closed-toe shoes or boots, and either slacks or pants. For safety, those wearing shorts, skirts, dresses or open-toes shoes or high heels will not

be allowed in the construction area.

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