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Dear Sirs and Secretary:

On behalf of the members of the Task Force on Regional Transit Authority Performance and Funding, I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the public review draft that the Task Force has prepared pursuant to section 72 of the FY2019 Budget as adopted by the Legislature and signed by Governor Baker. The Task Force has scheduled public meetings to be held next week in Worcester, Amherst, and Hyannis. After the close of the public comment period the Task Force will finalize the report and provide it to you.

We greatly regret not being able to file it with you by February 15, as required by the terms of Chapter 277 of the Acts of 2018, but the Task Force had a great deal of material to consider and many complex questions to address. Between September 2018 and early March 2019 the Task Force, held 19 meetings and received written comments

from dozens of members of the public. There are many diverse and sincerely held views represented on the Task Force, but through the good efforts of the members we were able to reach a meaningful consensus on even the difficult issues.

We appreciate the opportunity that you have given us by creating this Task Force. We hope that the recommendations that we are taking out to the public and that we will ultimately submit to you will prove helpful.

Sincerely,

Astrid Glynn, Task Force Chair

cc: Members of the Task