

# Metrorail Safety Commission

## March 13, 2018

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### Agenda Item # 2 – Action

#### Official Seating of Commissioners

##### Background

The Metrorail Safety Commission is an independent and legal entity established under federal law codified at 49 U.S.C. §5329 and created through a joint resolution of Congress, 115 H.J. Res. 76, 131 STAT. 1093. Its members are appointed by the District of Columbia, the State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia with authority to conduct safety and security oversight of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's Metrorail services. The interstate compact establishing the MSC, 131 Stat. 1093, requires that before entering office, each Member and Alternate Member shall take and subscribe to an oath (or affirmation) of office or any such other oath or affirmation as the constitution or laws of the Signatory he or she represents shall provide." The MSC's legal counsel will review the status of oaths prior to the start of the official business of the MSC. Each of the Board members will be asked to confirm that they have been sworn in by their respective jurisdiction, and to provide counsel with a copy of the oath they have taken.

##### Issues

None

##### Staff

##### Recommendation

Provide documentation of administration of oath from jurisdictional conformation process. Receive confirmation from the MSC's legal counsel of adequacy of oath.