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TEAM MARYLAND JOINT STATEMENT ON THE GSA INSPECTOR GENERAL'S NOTICE OF AN EVALUATION OF THE SITE SELECTION PROCESS

GREENBELT, MD — Today, members of Maryland's federal, state, and local governments including Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-05), Governor Wes Moore, Lieutenant Governor Aruna Miller, U.S. Senators Ben Cardin (D-MD) and Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), Congressmen Dutch Ruppersberger (MD-02), John Sarbanes (MD-03), Kweisi Mfume (MD-07), Jamie Raskin (MD-08), David Trone (MD-06), and Glenn Ivey (MD-04), and Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks released the following statement regarding the General Services Administration (GSA) Inspector General's notice of an evaluation of the site selection process:

"Let us be perfectly clear: the new FBI headquarters project is moving forward. The GSA selected Greenbelt for the new, consolidated FBI headquarters based on the fact that it is the best site. Any objective evaluation will find that the GSA arrived at this decision after a thorough and transparent process.

"After assessing the facts, the GSA determined that Greenbelt offers the lowest price and best value to taxpayers, the easiest access to public transportation, the most schedule certainty to ensure the FBI can move to a new headquarters that meets its mission and security needs as soon as possible, and the greatest opportunity to advance the Biden-Harris Administration's equity goals. The GSA made its decision accordingly. Although some may not like that outcome, the GSA has clearly demonstrated that this process was transparent.

"For the sake of our national security and the hardworking men and women of the FBI, it is imperative that we move expeditiously to build a new, state of the art consolidated headquarters that meets the FBI's vital national security mission."

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