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TAC Accessibility Subcommittee Nominees:

Name: James Mountain

Purpose: “I am a wheelchair user and new but frequent user of STAR. I'd like to use my personal experience with STAR to work to improve it for all of its customers. I am a lifelong resident of Arlington and currently reside in Arlington. LinkedIn Profile: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/jamesmountain/>”

Name: Rebecca Bridges

Purpose: “My name is Rebecca Bridges and I am interested in serving on the Accessibility Subcommittee of the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC).

I have lived in Arlington since 2004 and reside with my husband, our two young children, and guide dogs. I enjoyed a 19-year professional career during which I worked in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors in various roles both as an individual contributor and manager. In my most recent role, I managed 60% of the revenue for an IT accessibility firm. In June of 2003, I left the workforce in order to continue to homeschool my children, serve my community, and focus on my family.

I am a national advocate, having served for more than 15 years in various capacities in the blind and disabled community. My husband and I have been STAR users since 2008. We recognize and appreciate the tremendous value it provides, and the investment the county has placed into the program. However, we know that the current times we find ourselves in have and will continue to present challenges to STAR. It is my hope that I can work collaboratively with county officials, advocates, and others to protect the program and ensure its continued viability so that residents with disabilities can enjoy the quality of life that we all desire and many take for granted.

Rebecca Bridges”