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Dear Bicycle Advocate:

Thank you for your email to Governor Martin O'Malley, the State Highway Administration (SHA), and the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) regarding the R4-11 "Bikes May Make Use of Full Lane" sign. The Governor received your email and asked me to respond on his behalf, and I am also responding on behalf of the SHA.

Consistent with Governor O'Malley's policy initiatives to encourage bicycle use and accommodate bicyclists, MDOT and SHA will develop guidelines for the appropriate use of the R4-11 sign. As we previously agreed, the SHA will consult with stakeholders before adopting a final set of guidelines. I apologize that incorrect information was communicated prior to any formal decision.

Thank you, again, for your email. The Governor appreciates hearing from you, and, on his behalf, I also thank you for your interest in this issue. If we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Tom Hicks, Director of Traffic and Safety, SHA at 410-787-5815 or, toll-free, at 1-888-963-0307.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Beverley K. Swaim-Staley".

Beverley K. Swaim-Staley
Secretary