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Prior to Mr. Benjamin's swearing in on August 30, 2021, he served as the Director of the Department of Traffic and Transportation for the city of Charleston, South Carolina where he refocused the department on equitable mobility and passed the first citywide transportation plan in history. He also represented the city on the CARTA Transit Board, Charleston Aviation Authority, and the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments.

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Mr. Benjamin is happy to return Washington, D.C. where he lives with his wife and son.