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Ms. Therese McMillan Executive Director Metropolitan Transportation Commission Bay Area Metro Center 375 Beale Street, Suite 800 San Francisco, CA 95105-2066

Re: Support for the Dumbarton Rail Corridor Project in Plan Bay Area 2050's long range plan

Dear Ms. McMillan:

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group strongly recommends that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission include the Dumbarton Rail Corridor Project in Plan Bay Area 2050's long range constrained funding plan.

The Dumbarton Rail Corridor Project has the transformational potential to significantly advance the goal of a complete Bay Area transportation system by providing an essential link between Caltrain, BART, ACE, Capitol Corridor, and the planned Valley Link rail system.

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group was founded in 1978 by David Packard, Co-Founder of Hewlett Packard. Today, the Leadership Group is driven by more than 350 member companies to proactively tackle issues to improve our communities and strengthen our economy, with a focus on education, energy, the environment, health care, housing, tax policy, tech & innovation policy and transportation.

The Leadership Group has worked tirelessly for decades to secure funding to extend BART to San Jose, electrify Caltrain, establish ACE rail service, and more recently support Caltrain's Business Plan for a 2040 service vision to triple ridership. The Dumbarton Rail Corridor project is an essential link to connect BART, Caltrain, ACE, Capitol Corridor, and the future Valley Link across an existing southern San Francisco Bay crossing to address traffic congestion in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo Counties and beyond.

Given the job growth associated with our strong regional economy and the higher housing densities in the cities and communities on either side of the Dumbarton corridor, it is imperative to offer commuters a viable mass transit alternative to driving single-occupancy vehicles on the Dumbarton Bridge. This link will improve our quality of life, access to economic opportunity, and the health of our planet.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. We look forward to continuing work with Cross Bay Transit Partners and MTC, and supporting this crucial project moving forward.

Sincerely,

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