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April 22, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives H-232, US Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Subject: Funding Request for the San Francisco County Transportation Authority's Quint-Jerrold Connector Road Project

## Dear Speaker Pelosi:

I am writing to request \$7.2 million in federal funding to fully fund construction of the Quint-Jerrold Connector Road. The proposed project will restore neighborhood access that was eliminated by the construction of a Caltrain berm on Quint Street that replaced a seismically deficient bridge that presented a hazard to train operations. Constructing a new street between Oakdale and Jerrold Avenues alongside the existing Caltrain tracks will serve the surrounding community, facilitate a potential future Caltrain station, and provide an alternate route between local streets.

The Bayview is a culturally and socioeconomically diverse neighborhood designated as a Community of Concern, where the vast majority of current residents are considered low-income and from minority communities. The population of the Bayview is expected to grow with the completion of new housing at Hunters Point Shipyard. Providing safe, convenient connections to transit and local destinations will improve access to resources. The project would also address safety and noise issues since the closure from vehicles traveling on residential streets not designed to accommodate significant traffic.

Public outreach has been conducted with the local community, with regular updates to the Bayview Hunters Point Citizen Advisory Committee. The project team has presented the project at the Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee, Southern Waterfront Advisory Committee, and Southeast Community Facility Commission. The team has also worked closely with the San Francisco Wholesale Produce Market, a local business in the area that provides critical food infrastructure for urban and rural food economies, on features of the project which will be located next to their facilities.

This project is currently funded through a variety of state and local sources, including the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, SB1 Local Partnership Program funds, and Prop K, the local half-cent sales tax for transportation. The requested federal funds will be the last dollars needed to fully fund the construction phase of the project.

I urge your favorable consideration of this important project that will have a significant impact on improving safe, equitable, and convenient access to transit and local destinations. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rafael Mandelman

Chair, San Francisco County Transportation Authority

## President, Board of Supervisors District 10



## City and County of San Francisco

## SHAMANN WALTON

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March 25, 2021

The Honorable House Speaker Nancy Pelosi Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives H-232, US Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Subject: Letter of Support for the San Francisco County Transportation Authority's Quint-Jerrold Connector Road Project

Dear Honorable House Speaker Pelosi:

I am writing to express my support for the San Francisco County Transportation Authority's request for \$7.2 million in federal funding to fully fund construction of the Quint-Jerrold Connector Road. As the representative of the Bayview neighborhood where the project is located on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, I am eager to see improved transportation access in this community. The proposed project will restore neighborhood access that has been eliminated by the construction of a Caltrain berm on Quint Street that replaced a seismically deficient bridge that presented a hazard to train operations. The Quint-Jerrold Connector Road will construct a new street between Oakdale and Jerrold Avenues alongside the existing Caltrain tracks to serve area land uses, facilitate a potential future Caltrain station, and provide an alternate route between local streets.

The Bayview is a culturally and socioeconomically diverse neighborhood designated as a Community of Concern, where the vast majority of current residents are considered low-income and from minority communities. Over 25% of nearby households do not have access to an automobile. Providing safe, convenient connections to transit and local destinations will improve accessibility to resources. The population of the Bayview is expected to grow with the completion of new housing at Hunters Point Shipyard. Currently, vehicles are traveling on residential streets not designed to accommodate significant traffic, resulting in issues around safety and noise.

Public outreach has been conducted with the local community, with regular updates to the Bayview Hunters Point Citizen Advisory Committee. The project team has also presented the project at the Transportation Authority Citizens Advisory Committee, Southern Waterfront Advisory Committee, and Southeast Community Facility Commission. The team has also worked closely with the San Francisco Wholesale Produce Market, a local business in the area, on features of the project which will be located next to their facilities and on their plans for street reconfiguration. The San Francisco Wholesale Produce Market provides critical food infrastructure for urban and rural food economies, moving hundreds of thousands of pounds of produce each day. The project will enhance the traffic circulation for businesses that are a critical part of markets and restaurants.

This project is currently funded through a variety of state and local sources. The planning and environmental phases were funded with Prop K, the local half-cent sales tax for transportation. The right-

of-way phase funding plan includes Prop K and funds from the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, and the design phase includes Prop K and state SB1 Local Partnership Program funds. The construction phase would be funded with Prop K and requested federal funds, which will be the last funds needed to fully fund the construction phase of the project.

I urge your favorable consideration for this important project that will have a significant impact on improving safe, equitable, and convenient access to transit and local destinations. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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President, Board of Supervisors