April 6, 2022

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
1236 Longworth H.O.B.
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: Bayview Community Based Transportation Implementation

Dear Speaker Pelosi,

On behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, I am pleased to submit a Fiscal Year 2023 Community Project Funding Request Form for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency’s (SFMTA’s) Bayview Community Based Transportation Implementation project. We are seeking $2,500,000 that, if awarded, would make the walking and bicycling experience in the historically underserved Bayview neighborhood healthier and safer.

The Bayview project is an outcome of the Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan, adopted in 2020, which won a national American Planning Association award for Advancing Diversity and Social Equity. The SFMTA has conducted outreach since Fall 2021 on the specifics of this project package. We have conducted presentations with multiple community boards and commissions and conducted site walks with community stakeholders to take input on project details.

The project will improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety in the Bayview Neighborhood. The historically African-American community of Bayview-Hunters Point is one of our most disadvantaged communities. The Bayview’s 3rd Street corridor is on the High Injury Network, one of the City’s 17 percent of streets with 75 percent of the City’s severe and fatal transportation collisions. This project will improve pedestrian crossings on 3rd Street into the neighborhood as well as improve a parallel north-south route for walking and biking. The route will connect Cargo Way (north) to Carroll Avenue (south) linking Mendell Street, McKinnon Avenue, Lane Street, Van Dyke Avenue, and Keith Street. Traffic calming will be a priority along the corridor, including a barrier-protected bicycle lane along part of the route and raised intersections near parks and community centers on the route. These will improve pedestrian safety by reducing crossing distances and slowing motor vehicle traffic.

We are excited to bring more long-needed transportation improvements to the Bayview. The project complements recently launched 15 Bayview Hunters Point Express by making access safer and easier for Bayview residents heading downtown.
I am happy to answer any questions you may have about this and other SFMTA-led endeavors in the Bayview neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Jeff Tumlin
Director of Transportation

cc: Mayor London Breed
    Shamann Walton, District 10 Supervisor