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Date: January 16, 2020
To: Members of City Council and Members of the Public
From: Mayor Libby Schaaf, Council President Kaplan, and Councilmember Kalb
Re: File No: 20-0081
Adopt A Resolution In Support Of A Dedicated Bus And Carpool Lane On The San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge And Bus/Carpool Lanes On Highways 580 And 80

Dear Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

In 2006 the City of Oakland, through its “Transit First Policy” (Resolution No. 73036 C.M.S.) acknowledged the benefits and value for the public health and welfare of reducing vehicle miles traveled and improving our public transportation. It is a priority for our City to prioritize fast, frequent, and reliable transit.

We express our strong support for dedicated transit lanes and carpool lanes along the I-80 Bay Bridge and highways 580 and 80 corridors to support improved transit service on the Bay Bridge and reduce delays while increasing service.

The Mayor and Council President also express their support for improvements that prioritize transit and high-occupancy vehicle access to the Bay Bridge along West Grand Avenue and the Interstate 880 and 580 freeways through dedicated transit lanes, carpool lanes, and express lanes.

We hope you join us in supporting this Resolution. If you have any questions please contact Barbara Lopez at blopez@oaklandca.gov or Elinor Buchen at ebuchen@oaklandca.gov.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Libby Schaaf in black ink.

Libby Schaaf
Mayor of the City of Oakland

Handwritten signature of Rebecca Kaplan in black ink.

Rebecca Kaplan
City Council President

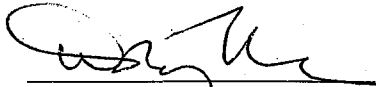
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Dan Kalb
City Council President Pro Tem

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City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR SCHAAF, COUNCIL PRESIDENT KAPLAN, AND
COUNCILMEMBER KALB

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A DEDICATED BUS AND CARPOOL LANE ON THE SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE AND BUS/CARPOOL LANES ON HIGHWAYS 580 AND 80

WHEREAS, in 2006 the City of Oakland, through its "Transit First Policy" (Resolution No. 73036 C.M.S.) acknowledged the benefits and value for the public health and welfare of reducing vehicle miles traveled and improving opportunities for sustainable transportation by walking, bicycling, and public transportation; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the City of Oakland's Department of Transportation Strategic Plan prioritizes planning and implementing fast frequent and reliable transit; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the City of Oakland's Department of Race and Equity's Equity Indicators Report documents that 10% of Oaklanders do not have access to a car and 18.7% of Black Oaklanders do not have access to a car; and

WHEREAS, AC Transit's total annual ridership in June 2019 totaled 53.04 million annual riders, reflecting a 2.5% increase year-over year; and

WHEREAS, AC Transit's Transbay ridership has grown 21% since 2014 and 47% since 2012 ; and

WHEREAS, AC Transit's Transbay service represents 10% of total annual ridership; and

WHEREAS AC Transit serves an average of 15,500 daily passengers on Transbay service routes; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's 2015 Core Capacity Study documents transit-only lanes, high-occupancy vehicle lanes and I-80 Bridge approach improvements as short-term prerequisite improvements to address projected peak-period transbay congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's 2016 Bay Bridge Forward, a \$40 million investment package to reduce congestion along the I-80 Bay Bridge, includes converting a shoulder of West Grand Avenue on-ramp in Oakland to a bus/high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane to enable buses and HOVs direct access to the toll plaza; and

WHEREAS, carpooling can reduce congestion by reducing the total number of cars used to transport people and can increase capacity of congested corridors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Mayor of Oakland and the Oakland City Council express their strong support for dedicated transit lanes and carpool lanes along the I-80 Bay Bridge and highways 580 and 80 corridors to support improved transit service on the Bay Bridge and reduce delays while increasing service; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That they express their support for improvements that prioritize transit and high-occupancy vehicle access to the Bay Bridge along West Grand Avenue and the Interstate 880 and 580 freeways through dedicated transit lanes, carpool lanes, and express lanes; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That they express their support for roadway improvements that reduce congestion and air-quality impacts to disadvantaged Oakland residents.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Oakland City Council requests that the City Administrator transmit a copy of this Resolution to CalTrans, ACTC, and MTC/BATA.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO
AND PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____
LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California