Ramanpreet Singh

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Greetings MTC Commissioners and staff,

My Name is Ramanpreet Singh and I am a long-time resident of the bay area, residing in Union City. I am 20 years old and currently finishing up my studies at Ohlone Community College in Fremont, California, and then transferring out to a four-year university to obtain my bachelor's in Political Science and International Relations.

I am also currently interning for Senator Bob Wieckowski of the 10th Senate District and Senator Josh Becker of the 13th Senate District which covers areas such as Palo Alto and San Mateo and this requires me to pass through the San Mateo bridge at times but I also started working for the Golden State Warriors as I am pursuing a career in Government and International Relations but also as a former athlete I am following my passion of pursuing my career in sports.

I came to the U.S. at the age of 8 with a single mother and I wasn't fed with a silver spoon and never took anything for granted. I am aware that I need to work twice as hard compared to some who may have a support system to fall back on. Since graduated high school I have been completely supporting myself and I have even saved up to buy a car and now I am just doing my best to set myself for the future. But here in the Bay Area that is not easy as it is slowly becoming one of the most expensive areas in California and I would not be surprised if one day it is one of the most expensive cities in the U.S. but regardless of the cost, this is definitely an area of opportunity.

My reason for witting this letter is that I wanted to implement something of a program or a Plan similar to fast track. Which is elgible for low-income residents or university students who are going to school and working and they will be eligible to be offered this "pass" which allows them to avoid paying toll fee.

I would greatly work with other representatives to improve this plan but I hope that this is taken into serious consideration as many just like me are struggle to make ends meet and even saving that 6 dollar fee can go a long way.

Sincerely,

Ramanpreet Singh