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Good afternoon. My name is Rafael Gonzalez and I'm with the laborers' Union, Local 304, representing over 4000 members in Alameda County. I am writing in support for the allocation request of the \$46.8 million for the Valley Link at tomorrow's MTC Programming and Allocations Committee Meeting. This project will produce lots of jobs that are in desperate need after the COVID 19 Shelter In Place Order. Many of our members lost their jobs due to shelter in place order. Now, the order does not include construction, however lots of funding for the construction projects has gone away since investors don't really know how this pandemic will affect us in the future. There is also the environmental aspect. This project will take a lot of cars off the road, decreasing our carbon footprint, and helping clean the air. As a commuter, myself, I am anxious to see this project built and in service. I urge you to vote in favor of the allocation. Thank you for your time.

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