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James P. Spering
Chair, Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee
Bay Area Metro Center
375 Beale Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: Support for MTC Resolution No. 4400: Regional Safety / Vision Zero Policy

Dear Chair Spering:

I am writing on behalf of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to support the recommendation to adopt MTC's Regional Vision Zero Policy at the MTC Planning Committee. Every year in San Francisco about 30 people lose their lives and over 500 more are severely injured by while traveling on city streets. The City and County of San Francisco adopted Vision Zero in 2014 as a commitment to eliminate traffic fatalities and reduce severe injuries. MTC's proposal to adopt a Regional Vision Zero Policy will continue to support our region in advancing this commitment to stopping further loss of life.

MTC's Regional Vision Zero Policy is an important step to bring together cities across the region to support actions that can eliminate traffic fatalities. Many of the goals in the MTC Regional Vision Zero Policy elevate and support San Francisco's existing commitments in our 2019 Action Strategy. Our Action Strategy identifies the need for new and proven tools that can save lives, such as automated technology to enforce speed limits, but these tools will require state law changes. MTC's Regional Vision Zero Policy will elevate the policy areas where state legislation is needed to improve street safety. MTC's Policy also expands opportunities for education and messaging on Vision Zero to the broader region. A regional education program can help to expand the reach of our existing messaging and leverage new resources to promote Vision Zero messaging. The MTC Policy also provides for an opportunity to share best practices across cities in order to elevate data-driven and equity-focused policies to advance Vision Zero.

Thank you for your leadership to advance Vision Zero at the regional level. We encourage you to adopt this resolution and we look forward to continuing to partner with MTC on our commitment to eliminate traffic fatalities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeffrey P. Tumlin".

Jeffrey P. Tumlin
Director of Transportation

Cc: Members of the Joint MTC Planning Committee and ABAG Administrative Committee
Therese McMillan, Executive Director, MTC