

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE BAY AREA An Inter-League Organization of the San Francisco Bay Area



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James Fang, President, and Members of the Board of Directors Bay Area Rapid Transit District (by e-mail)

Dear President Fang and Board of Directors,

The League of Women Voters of the Bay Area (LWVBA), which represents all local Leagues in the nine-county Bay Area, applauds your recent commitment to meet the "gold standard" of civil rights. LWVBA's long-held positions also reflect this commitment: we support social policies, including transportation policies, that "promote the equity, justice, education, and nurturing essential to a sustainable society."

We are also pleased that you have postponed taking any action to pursue funding for the Oakland Airport Connector project, and we urge that you continue to delay such action until the federally required civil rights equity analysis has been completed. Your decision in this regard will demonstrate your respect for Title VI policies and processes, and demonstrate your commitment to equity in transportation services.

Thank you for your consideration,

Marion Taylor President