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Suzanne-

Thank you for sending me the "lobbying Efforts" email and attachments. In response to your email regarding "lobbying efforts" around Measure M, I am writing this letter.

You are free to utilize my conclusions as to where the ECA would land given the lobbying efforts. I hope this letter helps you in your presentation on Monday, Feb 10, 2020.

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- **The Measure M Coalition letter, if utilized in part or in entirety, would cause the ECA to mobilize against a ballot Measure M. This is an unacceptable proposal.**
- The CAC Straw Man Proposal (30% For Connecting Communities, 16% For Local Bus Transit, 0% For Highway 101 Projects, 42% For Local Road Maintenance, 0% For SMART, 11% For Bike/Ped Projects, 1% For Admin totaling 100%), is one that I am more familiar with and the ECA **would support** a ballot measure that included the proposed split of tax revenues as you have attached.

The only caveat, and I know you reference this issue in your footnotes, is the one that HAS TO BE INCLUDED FOR OUR SUPPORT-A strong Minimum of Effort clause that would keep Cities and Sonoma County spending on road repairs at or near the levels seen over the period 2016 through 2018. WE believe the taxpayers are owed that much. Kudos to the Board of Supervisors for spending as much as they did on roads from 2016-2018. If we are going to ask the taxpayer to pay for more repairs, it is only fair that we use a representative three year average for the basis of a strong MOE. Taxpayers will appreciate it, and will, I believe, be more likely to support a Measure M tax reform and extension because of it.

Yours Truly,

John Bly

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