



December 2, 2021

President Keith Carson
Alameda County Board of Supervisors
1221 Oak Street, Suite 536
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: BOS Special Meeting 12/02/21 – Item #1 – Redistricting

Dear President Carson & Board Members:

On behalf of our respective Chamber of Commerce organizations in Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton, we are writing to express support for a single district that includes all of the incorporated cities and unincorporated Alameda County areas immediately adjacent to Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton.

Recognized as the Tri-Valley sub-region of the 9-county greater San Francisco Bay Area region, these 3 communities have much in common – primarily suburban/rural areas; united by major inter-regional highway corridors of I-580/I-680/SR 84; local connecting roadways; shares the same; source of water supply – Zone 7 Water agency; Community College – Las Positas; local public healthcare center – Axis Healthcare. Due to its geographic location and the 3 major travel corridors connecting the SF Bay Area region to the rest of California the nation, the 3 communities experience the same impacts to air quality and traffic from goods movement and from workforce commute. Twenty years ago, these partnerships coalesced due to the impacts from chronic traffic congestion on the 3 major highways when little attention and investment was designated for transportation improvements in the Tri-Valley. Organizing around this pressing need that threatened the quality of life for all that lived, worked or traveled through the region, the 3 cities and its representative on the Alameda County Board of Supervisors established various efforts to develop plans to successfully fund and construct major transportation projects and deploy programs that improved travel through the 3 corridors and helped improve traffic congestion and air quality. Major achievements include:

- I-580 – express/HOV lanes east- and west-bound; new I-680 connector ramp southbound to I-580 east- and west-bound; connector ramp at I-580 and SR 84; improvements to SR 84 between Livermore and I-680 (final phase under construction today); express/HOV lanes south- and north-bound I-680 from SR 84 to

SR 237; increased rail service on the Altamont Corridor Express; and finally, the preliminary work to build Valley Link electric rail connecting at the Dublin/Pleasanton BART station.

Much has been accomplished through Tri-Valley collaboration, strengthening the bonds between the Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton communities. This has led to collective advocacy at the federal, state and county levels by the mayors of the 3 cities and their counterparts in Danville and San Ramon in Contra Costa County, also located within the Tri-Valley region. City managers and economic development staff in the cities meet regularly to compare notes and to coordinate efforts to address our needs in infrastructure; housing; economic and workforce development; including safety net services. Indeed, our 5 organizations followed suit by establishing the Tri-Valley Chamber of Commerce Alliance.

This experience highlights the fact that the communities in the Tri-Valley region are more successful in addressing local and regional needs when working together, strengthening the economic health of Alameda County.

For these reasons, we believe that it will be in the best interests of Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton to remain complete and within a single district represented on the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

Thank you for your thoughtful and thorough consideration of this request as you review the Alameda County district boundaries required after the decennial U.S. Census.

Respectfully,



Dawn P. Argula, CEO



Inge Houston, CEO



Steve Van Dorn, CEO