THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board

Adopted this Resolution on 02/06/2018 by the following vote:

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Resolution No. 2018/56

IN THE MATTER OF: Support for a Capitol Corridor train stop at the Regional Intermodal Transit Center in the City of Hercules

WHEREAS I-80 is the primary route for commuters travelling north and south between Oakland and Sacramento and the commute time along this corridor is expected to increase 23% by 2040; and

WHEREAS adding a train stop in Hercules on the existing Capitol Corridor line would provide an easy, near-term, low-cost option to driving on I-80; and

WHEREAS the train already travels along the I-80 corridor; it just doesn't stop where most of the congestion starts, particularly in the AM and PM peak periods; and

WHEREAS the City of Hercules has expended a significant amount of money to create the Regional Intermodal Transit Center, a transportation hub that would connect this new train stop with bicycle, pedestrian, bus, and carpool service, and provide ferry service in the future in order to significantly improve transportation options for commuters at the junction of I-80 and Highway 4, where commute congestion along I-80 generally begins; and

WHEREAS the transit center is a cornerstone for the Hercules Bayfront Transit Village, which is one of only 13 projects selected by the State of California's Strategic Growth Council as a "California Catalyst Project"; and

WHEREAS in addition to serving as a stop on the Capitol Corridor and San Joaquin routes, the transit center will act as a central point for many vital transit options, including: · Over 30 trains daily linking West Contra Costa County to the rest of the Bay Area and the Sacramento region; · Connections with local and regional buses; · Interconnection between the extensive San Francisco Bay Trail and Ridge Trail · Potential ferry connection to San Francisco; · Connectivity to Richmond BART and AMTRAK; and · Park and ride carpool programs; and

WHEREAS the City of Hercules has completed the Bay Trail from Refugio Creek to Victoria By the Bay to advance the Regional Intermodal Train Center and completed development of "The Path to Transit" as part of its transportation hub; and

WHEREAS a Capitol Corridor Train stop in Hercules will provide an environmentally sustainable solution to addressing congestion on I-80 by reducing the number of cars and trucks on the road, it would also reduce air pollution, energy use, and fuel consumption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Contra Costa Board of Supervisors strongly supports a Capitol Corridor train stop in Hercules.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 6, 2018

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: , Deputy

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