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## Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle Elected Chair of Alameda County Transportation Commission

San Leandro Mayor Pauline Cutter elected vice chair.

ALAMEDA COUNTY, Calif. At its first Commission meeting of 2018, the Alameda County Transportation Commission unanimously elected Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle as its chair, and unanimously elected San Leandro Mayor Pauline Cutter as vice chair.

"I'm truly honored to be elected to serve as chair of the Alameda County Transportation Commission," says Chair Valle, who has been a member of the Commission since 2012. "It is a great privilege to lead Alameda CTC in partnership with my colleagues, as we deliver critically important transportation programs and projects throughout Alameda County. This year we will focus on leveraging our local Measure BB funds to close project funding gaps with new state and regional funds."



Alameda CTC Chair Supervisor Richard Valle and Vice Chair Mayor Pauline Cutter

Upon taking this leadership role, Chair Valle outlined several priorities for 2018, among many, including:

- Advancing our rail strategy in partnership with other agencies and Union Pacific Railroad, while expanding our Safe Routes to Schools program to include a rail safety education program to reduce pedestrian collisions;
- Major multimodal corridor improvements;
- Update of the bicycle and pedestrian plan, including the Niles Canyon Trail;
- Express lane expansion; and
- Expanding the Affordable Student Transit Pass Program.

Additionally the Commission's accomplishments over the three years since the passage of Measure BB by Alameda County voters were noted, including:

- Managing the more than \$1 billion worth of capital projects in various stages of delivery throughout every major corridor in the county, including the recently awarded construction contract for the new I-680 Sunol Northbound Express Lane;
- Development of the GoPort Project, increasing freight efficiency and reducing truck congestion and air pollution around the Port of Oakland;
- Two years of the hallmark Measure BB Student Transit Pass Program; and
- Expansion of the Safe Routes to Schools program and strengthening of paratransit programs.

Alameda CTC implements the voter-approved <u>Measures B and BB</u> as well as the Measure F vehicle license fee to improve transportation throughout Alameda County. The Commission is comprised of 22 members, with the following representation:

- All five Alameda County Supervisors
- Two Oakland representatives
- One representative from each of the other 13 cities in Alameda County
- One representative from AC Transit
- One representative from BART

"I'm excited to be part of the leadership of Alameda CTC to continue our collaborative work as we deliver projects and programs to the public. Thanks to the voter-approved Measure BB, we are working to improve mobility for bicyclists and pedestrians, support our transportation infrastructure, and leverage our local funding in order to meet the demands on the regional transportation network," says Vice Chair Pauline Cutter, Mayor of the City of San Leandro.

The chair and vice chair are elected to serve a one-year term. A complete list of Commissioners may be found online at <a href="https://www.alamedactc.org">www.alamedactc.org</a>.

## About the Alameda County Transportation Commission

Alameda CTC coordinates countywide transportation planning and delivers essential, voter-supported transportation improvements in every city throughout Alameda County. Funding sources for Alameda CTC's expenditure plans include Measure B, approved by 81.5 percent of county voters in 2000, and Measure BB, approved by more than 70 percent of voters in 2014. For more information, please visit the Alameda CTC website at <a href="http://www.alamedactc.org">http://www.alamedactc.org</a>.