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Resolution of the City of Alameda Transportation Commission Recognizing the Service of Thomas Bertken

WHEREAS, the City of Alameda is an island community with a unique combination of transportation options and challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission was established to advise the City Council on transportation policies and to monitor the implementation of transportation plans; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Thomas Bertken was appointed by the Mayor and the City Council to serve as a member of the Transportation Commission, and he has served for two four-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bertken has shared his considerable knowledge as an engineer with over five decades in the transportation field serving in the public and private sectors, which included serving as the Chief Executive Officer of what is now known as the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA). His knowledge also spans to the region as a Bay Area native and to Alameda as a 30 year resident as well as throughout the world where he has worked on transportation assignments; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bertken brought bold leadership to the Transportation Commission with a quick wit, genuine kindness and an eye for detail; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Bertken was instrumental in ensuring that Alameda has the best transportation system possible, and making sure safety and multimodal access were considered as paramount concerns; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE MEMBERS OF THE ALAMEDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Michele Bellows, Christopher A. Miley, Samantha Soules, Michael Hans, Jesus Vargas and Laura Palmer do hereby extend gratitude and appreciation for the commitment, dedication, and service of Thomas Bertken to the Transportation Commission and the Community Members of Alameda.

Presented by the Alameda Transportation Commission, July 2018

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