RESOLUTION NO. 2018 –

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PENINSULA CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS BOARD

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXPRESSING ITS STRENUOUS OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION 6, WHICH WOULD REPEAL SENATE BILL 1, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT"

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**WHEREAS**, Caltrain provides commuter rail service along the San Francisco Peninsula from San Francisco to San Jose, with additional service to Gilroy and, in 2017, Caltrain had an average weekday ridership of over 62,000 people; and,

**WHEREAS**, in 2017, the California State Legislature passed, and Governor Brown signed, Senate Bill 1(S.B. 1), also known as the "Road Repair and Accountability Act," a landmark transportation investment program designed to (1) rebuild California's transportation infrastructure by fixing neighborhood streets, freeways and bridges in communities across the State, and (2) strengthen, revitalize, and improve transit systems and congested trade and commute corridors; and,

**WHEREAS,** S.B. 1 will invest $5.4 billion annually over the next decade to fix California’s transportation systems and will address a backlog of repairs and upgrades, while ensuring a cleaner and more sustainable travel network for the future; and,

**WHEREAS,** before S.B. 1, Caltrain lacked any dedicated source of funding to support its ongoing operating and capital costs, even as the system has increasingly recovered more of its operating costs through fares and self-generated revenues; and

**WHEREAS**, in just this first year since S.B.1 became law, funds from the Road Repair and Accountability Act will provide Caltrain with $1 million to conduct ongoing maintenance and rehabilitation of Caltrain rail cars; $1 million for grade crossing improvements to enhance operational and schedule flexibility; and $500,000 for the Caltrain Bike Parking Program; and,

**WHEREAS,** Caltrain also has been awarded $164 million in funding from S.B. 1 to fully electrify Caltrain’s mainline service, provide onboard Wi-Fi and enhanced bicycle facilities, lengthen platforms to accommodate longer trains, and complete the Caltrain Business Plan; and,

**WHEREAS,** Proposition 6 is a statewide measure that will be placed on the November 6th, 2018 ballot asking voters to repeal S.B. 1; and,

**WHEREAS,** the passage of Proposition 6 would jeopardize the funding needed for execution of the Caltrain projects listed above and deprive Californians of resources now available from S.B.1 for much needed improvements in transportation infrastructure and transit systems statewide.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board strenuously opposes Proposition 6, which would repeal S.B. 1, the "Road Repair and Accountability Act"; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board affirms its membership in the Coalition to Protect Local Transportation Improvements, a diverse coalition of local government, business, labor, transportation, and other organizations throughout the State that also are opposed to the repeal of S.B. 1.;

Regularly passed and adopted this 2nd day of August 2018, by the following vote:

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| NOES: |  |
| ABSENT: |  |
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|  | Chair, Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board |
| ATTEST: |  |
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| JPB Secretary |  |