October 18, 2019

Fresno Council of Governments Mr. Tony Boren 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201 Fresno, CA 93721

Re: Herndon Avenue Trail, City of Fresno

Dear Mr. Boren,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), in support of the Herndon Avenue Trail Project currently being submitted by the City of Fresno Public Works Department. The project would address trail gaps in the areas north of Herndon Avenue between Prospect Avenue and Valentine Avenue as well as east of Milburn Avenue. Providing pedestrian and bicycle trails increases active commuting and improves access to public transportation. As the number of active commuters increases, so does the need for projects like these.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is a citizen's oversight committee composed of Mayor and City Council appointed members with interest and expertise in bicycle and pedestrian issues. Its mission is to advise elected officials on potential improvements in safety and infrastructure with the goal of making Fresno more bicycle and pedestrian friendly. The BPAC has been actively working to address the disproportionately high numbers of pedestrian collisions in Fresno, and strongly recommends the additional infrastructure proposed in this grant application.

Thank you for your consideration of the applications submitted.

Sincerely,

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