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**Re: Support HILARY NORTON to the California Transportation Commission**

## **BACKGROUND OF ADVANCED METAL MANUFACTURING SECTOR**

California is home to approximately 4,000 advanced metal manufacturing facilities, employing over 350,000 Californians. The average industry salary is \$66,400/year in wages and benefits. 8 out of 10 employees in the metalworking sector are considered ethnic minorities or reside in disadvantaged communities. A job in the metal manufacturing sector is often the only path to the middle class for many of these Californians.

California metal manufacturers use recycled metal (ex: aluminum, brass, iron and steel) to make parts for the transportation sector, aerospace industry, clean energy technologies, electric cars, biotech apparatuses, medical devices, national defense items, agriculture, infrastructure, construction machinery, household appliances, food processing and storage, movement of water, and millions of other products demanded by society.

## **Support for Hilary Norton to the California Transportation Commission**

Please accept this letter as the California Metals Coalition's support for the appointment of Hilary Norton to the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Hilary's experience and knowledge of the transportation ecosystem make her uniquely qualified for the position. Hilary Norton's commitment to transportation spans a career of public and private service. In recognition of Hilary's many accomplishments, we encourage her appointment to the CTC.

Sincerely,

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