## CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION for THE HONORABLE DAVE POTTER

## SUPERVISOR, MONTEREY COUNTY'S 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

**WHEREAS**, Supervisor Dave Potter has represented Big Sur, Carmel, Carmel Valley, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach and Salinas on the Monterey County Board of Supervisors for 20 years as an outspoken advocate of implementing new rail service to the County; and

**WHEREAS,** Supervisor Potter has been District 5 County Supervisor since 1996, and has been Chair of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County's Rail Policy Committee during that tenure;

**WHEREAS**, Supervisor Potter has also advocated for the expansion of Intercity Rail Service between San Francisco and Los Angeles, as the Chair of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council and as a policy member of the California Intercity Passenger Rail coalition; and

**WHEREAS**, Supervisor Potter was a key participant in negotiating a successful acquisition of the 13-mile Monterey Branch Line railroad right-of-way from Union Pacific; and

**WHEREAS,** Supervisor Potter has been a tireless champion of expanded passenger rail service in the Monterey Bay Area, representing Monterey County, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, and the Coast Rail Coordinating Council at the State and Federal levels and helping to seek and secure funding for rail projects in the region;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED** on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016, that the Rail Policy Committee of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County sincerely appreciates the work of Supervisor Dave Potter and his staff for their work improving rail transportation in Monterey County.

Kimbley Craig, Vice Chair Rail Policy Committee