

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Resolution of the Board of Directors Appreciating Twelve Years of Dedicated Service of Karla Brown

FROM: Christy Wegener, Executive Director

DATE: February 3, 2025

Action Requested

Staff requests that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 06-2025 in recognition of and appreciation for the nearly twelve years of service of outgoing Pleasanton Mayor and LAVTA Board Member Karla Brown.

Attachment:

1. Resolution 06-2025

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LIVERMORE AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
APPRECIATING THE SERVICES OF KARLA BROWN

WHEREAS Pleasanton Mayor Karla Brown has served with distinction as a member of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority's Board of Directors since January 2013 representing the City of Pleasanton and the greater Tri-Valley area as a LAVTA Board member; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown served as the Chair of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority Board of Directors in fiscal years 2022 and 2018, Vice-Chair of the Board in fiscal years 2021 and 2017, Chair of the Projects and Services Committee in fiscal year 2015, and Vice-Chair of the Projects and Services Committee in fiscal years 2020, 2019, and 2014; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown served on the Ad Hoc Paratransit Committee comprising LAVTA and County Connection Board Members, overseeing the deployment and operation of the innovative joint paratransit service contract between the agencies; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown's impact has transformed this agency through her years of exemplary service in these many leadership roles, her appreciation and respect for the riders, her attention to the cleanliness of bus stops, her advocacy for staff, and her compassionate leadership; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown was involved in the hiring and recruitment of Executive Directors Michael Tree in 2014, and Christy Wegener in 2022; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown's dedication and leadership in transportation has provided the region with a strong advocate of enhanced mobility options for all riders, especially students, seniors and those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS as a LAVTA Board member, Mayor Brown contributed to many noteworthy projects and services including the 2018 Mobility Forward Paratransit Study, the Go Tri-Valley Partnership with Transportation Network Companies, the Regional One-Seat Ride Paratransit Program, the Shared Autonomous Vehicle demonstration project, the Alameda County Student Transit Pass Program, the Zero Emissions Bus Transition Plan, and the Tri-Valley Hub Network Integration Study; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown was instrumental in the development and success of the 2016 Wheels Forward service plan, which realigned routes to better connect with BART and increased ridership, resulting in LAVTA receiving several awards; and

WHEREAS through Mayor Brown's participation on the Boards of the Alameda County Transportation Commission, the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority,

and the Innovate 680 Policy Advisory Council, she strongly advocated for innovative, regional transportation solutions and for the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS Mayor Brown helped lead the agency through challenging and proactive decisions made necessary during the COVID 19 pandemic, which required great courage, patience, and resolve from all Board Members;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority that the Board and staff express their enduring gratitude and appreciation for the exceptional service provided by Mayor Karla Brown in the furtherance of the mission, goals, and values of LAVTA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of February 2025.

Evan Branning
Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Christy Wegener
Executive Director