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September 17, 2019

The Honorable Rich Tran
Mayor – City of Milpitas
455 E Calaveras Blvd
Milpitas, CA 95035

Dear Mayor Tran:

I am writing to voice my support for proposed Milpitas Personal Rapid Transit (PRT). This project will reduce congestion and provide an affordable and safe alternative mode of transportation in Milpitas.

With BART beginning its service in Milpitas at the end of this year, the Milpitas Transit Center and the surrounding areas will become very congested and there will be increased traffic to/from the Transit Center.

To address this anticipated problem, I encourage the Milpitas City Council to work with community members to bring PRT technology for Milpitas residents and workers. PRT project in Milpitas presents a great opportunity for the City to be an innovative leader in the region.

In order to alleviate some challenges, I would like to suggest that the City look into funding programs from the California Transportation Commission (CTC). CTC allows regional transportation agencies to apply for [Solutions for Congested Corridors Program](#) (SCCP) funding to achieve a balanced solution that considers accessibility, the environment, and feasibility.

I believe the PRT project in Milpitas can be a good fit for the SCCP grant program and the City should work with community members and Valley Transportation Authority to apply for these funds. My office is available to provide any assistance in getting this funding from the state.

I hope the City Council will see how PRT project can be a transformative technology in Milpitas to relieve congestion, provide alternative mode of transportation, and help reduce carbon emissions. I encourage you and the City Council to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with community members to begin the process of bringing PRT technology to Milpitas.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact my District Office at (408) 262-2501.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kansen Chu", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

KANSEN CHU

Assemblymember, 25th District

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