Dear Chair Dorsey and Supervisors Walton and Safai,

My name is Amina Samake and I am writing this letter to show my support for Dominica Henderson's appointment to the SFMTA Board of Directors. I've known Dominica for over 25 years and have had the privilege of both attending school with her as well as interacting with her in a professional capacity on several occasions. Due to this, I've seen how her love and care for her community has shaped the work she has done not only in her community, but also San Francisco as a whole.

Dominica is an incredible leader because she leads with grace, patience, understanding, and passion. She has a keen eye for detail and is able to see situations clearly. This allows her to identify areas of need, ask questions, and work towards finding viable solutions when issues arise. These attributes, along with her love and dedication to her community, are key when it comes to a position like this one.

As a social worker, who works with teens here in San Francisco, I see the issues that are impacting them and the city as a whole. These issues include safe neighborhoods and reliable public transportation, which are things that allow young people to not only feel secure but also thrive. Dominica, as a member of the Board of Directors, would be able to use her impressive skill set and her extensive work experience, to help the Board develop responses to the issues mentioned and others. I recommend that the Board of Supervisors approves her appointment.

Thank You, Amina Samake, LCSW San Francisco, CA 94117