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Dear President Breed & Members of the Board of Supervisors:

This letter is to communicate my veto of File No. 151257, an ordinance amending the Planning Code to increase the Transportation Sustainability Fee for non-residential projects.

The Transportation Sustainability Fee was developed over many years through an extensive public process, earning broad stakeholder support and creating \$1.27 billion in revenue for San Francisco transportation infrastructure over the next 30 years. This process included a multitude of commissions and numerous hearings before the Board of Supervisors. I was proud to have signed the unanimously approved package just four months ago that levied transportation sustainability fees on residential development for the first time ever and increased the fees on commercial development as well.

To re-open this issue would undermine the trust of impacted stakeholders and hinder our ability to create consensus in the future. We must preserve our constituents' faith in us as elected officials, in the processes we set out, and the negotiations that we undertake. This trust is valuable; it must be earned and protected.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edwin M. Lee".

Edwin M. Lee
Mayor, City & County of San Francisco