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December 22, 2020

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December 21rst. 2020

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Re: Letter of Support for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board (SFMTA) Nominee, Manny Yekutiel

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If you have any questions please, contact me at your convenience. Have a great and safe holidays all!

Sincerely yours;

Carlos Solórzano-Cuadra

CEO

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Name of Author

Organization

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