

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Director Silva

DATE: June 2, 2025

RE: Travel Report: 2025 American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Legislative Conference, Washington, D.C.

Dear Board Members,

I had the privilege of attending the 2025 American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. This annual event brought together industry leaders, federal policymakers, and transportation professionals to discuss the future of public transit in the United States. The conference offered insightful sessions, direct engagement with government officials, and collaborative forums to exchange best practices.

One of the most encouraging takeaways for me was seeing how much bipartisan support exists for public transportation at the federal level. Hearing directly from U.S. Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy and several key members of Congress, I was reminded that transit is no longer seen as a “nice to have” but a critical economic and environmental priority.

This conference reminded me just how vital our role as a Board Members not only in shaping policy and strategy, but in championing the value of transit in every conversation. I left inspired, better informed, and committed to ensuring AC Transit is positioned for success in this rapidly evolving landscape.

I look forward to implementing my knowledge to the issues that face AC Transit.