

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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The Honorable John Fasana Chair, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority One Gateway Plaza Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Chairman Fasana:

I understand that the Metro Board of Directors is considering an expanded environmental review and design document for improvements to Union Station that will accommodate high-speed rail service. I write today to affirm my commitment to high-speed rail, including early investments for the Burbank-to-Anaheim segment.

Our actions reflect this commitment. The budget I signed in 2012 put \$500 million toward earlybenefit projects in southern California, including the Rosecrans-Marquardt grade separation and the Link Union Station project. The High-Speed Rail Authority will consider new investments in the project this month. I also asked the White House to expedite any necessary environmental review for the Burbank-to-Anaheim segment and have requested new funding.

High-speed rail will strengthen our economy, promote mobility, and protect our environment. As you consider improvements to Union Station, I urge you to plan for a future with high-speed rail.

Sincerely, Edmand G. E