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November 14, 2024

The Honorable Lindsey P. Horvath  
LA County Board of Supervisors  
500 W. Temple Street, Room 821  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear LA County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath,

I am writing to express my support for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor (STC) Project and the stated goals of the STC4All Coalition that includes an on-campus station at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and a seamless connection to the Metro Purple (D) Line in Westwood Village.

On a daily basis, thousands of commuters travel from the San Fernando Valley (and beyond) to the Westside for education, healthcare, entertainment, and economic opportunity. UCLA is the County's fourth largest employer and the largest west of Downtown Los Angeles; the future STC needs to go directly to the destinations where the overwhelming majority of people are heading.

Currently, commuters face chronic congestion with limited public transit alternatives, rendering the commute to and from UCLA strenuous and time-consuming. To motivate people to consider using public transit instead of personal vehicles, it is imperative that our city takes action to streamline their commute. Once operational, a UCLA station is projected to be the busiest non-transfer station in Metro's network, seeing approximately 120,000 boardings per day. Such a significant increase in ridership demonstrates the potential that a stop at the UCLA campus and a seamless connection to the D line could have to transform our region for Angelenos and visitors.

In addition to mitigating greenhouse gases by reducing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and congestion on our major thoroughfares, an alternative that includes an on-campus station at UCLA and a seamless connection to the D line is vital to achieving California's equity, accessibility, and mobility goals. The STC is poised to be an appealing alternative that meets the most pressing needs of the region – effective, reliable, and accessible public transit in one of the most congested corridors in the nation.

Thank you for your consideration of the proposed alternatives including a stop on UCLA's campus and seamless connection to the D line for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project. Should you have any questions regarding my support, please feel free to contact my office at (310) 414-8190.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ben Allen".

BEN ALLEN  
Senator, 24<sup>th</sup> District