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Council member Kriss Worthington
City of Berkeley
2180 Milvia St.
Berkeley, CA 94712

Re: City of Berkeley support for SB 367 (Sher) and AB 1409 (Wolk)

Dear Council member Worthington:

The Bicycle-Friendly Berkeley Coalition is requesting the Berkeley City Council to pass a resolution in support of an important piece of legislation currently under consideration in Sacramento. The bills are SB 367 (Sher) and AB 1409 (Wolk), and they will amend the Vehicle Code to allow the installation of bike racks on commuter buses that are 45' in length. Current law allows bike racks on shorter, 40' buses, and on longer, 60' articulated buses, but there is an unintended gap in the law for 45' buses.

The Bay Area has big plans for new express bus service, including AC Transit's transbay buses, that will utilize sleeker MCI coach buses that are 45' in length. It is critical that all of these buses have bike racks installed on them. In these challenging financial times, the bike-transit connection is our best opportunity to improve transit ridership in a cost-effective manner.

Enclosed is an MTC fact sheet on the proposed legislation. I hope your office can support this legislation and is able to introduce a City Council resolution of support, as soon as possible.

Please give me a call at 510-701-5971 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dave Campbell
President

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