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TO: Todd Gloria, City of San Diego Mayor
The City Council of San Diego
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Tasha Boerner, California State Assemblymember AD 77
Kyle Kupper, Principal of Correia Middle School
The San Diego Bike Coalition
The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department
The San Diego Police Department

Subject: Support for E-Bike Safety Pilot Program Implementation in Point Loma School Cluster
ENCL: Request for the Implementation of AB2234 E-Bike Regulations for the City of San Diego

We are writing to bring to your attention an issue of growing concern within our community, which is the safe and responsible use of electric bicycles (e-bikes) on San Diego's roads and pathways, specifically among students at Point Loma High School (PLHS), Correia Junior High School, and Dana Middle School. This program will complement our request for the implementation of AB2234 E-Bike regulations for the City of San Diego in November 2024.

The Peninsula Community Planning Board High School Liaison Program throughout the 2024-2025 school year has worked alongside the SD Bike Coalition and Correia Middle School to formulate an e-bike safety program for the upcoming school year. The program, which will launch at the Correia Middle School Orientation on August 8, 2025, will teach about the correct ways in which to utilize the positive aspects of e-bike usage while still operating the electric vehicle in a safe way. We kindly request the City of San Diego consider approving the longevity of this new program for Point Loma's primary and secondary schools, as we believe they will significantly enhance safety on our roads and provide clear guidelines for e-bike riders. In addition, we request that such a program, if successful, be implemented in other schools within the San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD).

This pilot program opts to do the following:

- Target young e-bike riders in our community and emphasize the positive aspects e-bikes can have only if they are safely handled, in order to educate the future generation of e-bike riders in Point Loma. In order to do this, we will utilize the help of the SD Bike Coalition.

- Discourage unsafe e-bike riding practices in order to decrease the risk of injury and accidents on Point Loma roads

- Positively reinforce e-bike riders who ride safely, through methods such as giving out incentives such as gift cards and other prizes, through the school

- Require that students show proof of their e-bike to ensure that it is acceptable and within guidelines for non-licensed e-bike riders

- Improve the traffic relationships between car drivers and e-bike riders in Point Loma

- Implement in the Point Loma School Cluster (such as Correia Middle School and Point Loma High School) a lasting program that requires identification of e-bike safety training in order to bring their e-bikes onto campus.

We recognize the need for the city of San Diego and San Diego Unified School District to implement this e-bike safety program, which will benefit the young e-bike riders of our community and inspire them to ride their vehicles with caution. This safety program, with the approval of the board, will help to foster a more positive relationship between the licensed car drivers, pedestrians, and the e-bike riders in our community, and decrease the risk of accidents on our roads.

We kindly request your support and leadership in pursuing this pilot program within the City of San Diego.

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Thank you for your attention to this important matter, and we look forward to further discussions and collaboration to ensure the safety and well-being of our community members. This letter was approved (00-00).

Sincerely,

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