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## San Leandro Kicks off Infrastructure Week

*City Advocates for Safer Streets with Vision Zero Congressional Funding Request*

San Leandro, CA: Today, National League of Cities member City of San Leandro kicked off Infrastructure Week. Infrastructure Week (May 16th to May 20th) is an opportunity for national and local leaders to elevate infrastructure as a critical issue impacting all Americans. This year, as infrastructure investments from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law are available to communities across the nation, San Leandro highlights the importance of these funds.

"The City of San Leandro has changed in its 150-year history from an agricultural place to a post-World War II suburb to its present urbanizing-suburban city integrated within the San Francisco Bay Area metropolitan area. Consequently, infrastructure needs, and transportation patterns have evolved as well. With investments from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we will be able to focus on Vision Zero, an initiative to eliminate roadway collisions," said Mayor Pauline Russo Cutter.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) includes \$1.2 trillion of investments in America's crumbling infrastructure. Many of these investments will flow to cities, towns, and villages. San Leandro is advocating to use these funds from the historic legislation to build the Bancroft Avenue and Williams Street Crosstown Multimodal Corridor Project, a Vision Zero initiative. This corridor represents a disparately impacted area that will significantly benefit from safety improvements from our Vision Zero program and initiatives. The project will improve safety, access, and mobility for all roadway users along Bancroft Avenue and Williams Street. These two major corridors provide essential connections to local schools, transit, housing, recreation areas, and businesses. The improvements will also support multimodal access to BART, parks, and other community destinations for all modes, prioritizing active and sustainable transportation options.

The City appreciates the fruitful working relationships with Congresswoman Barbara Lee's Office and California's two United States Senators, Feinstein and Padilla. Their advocacy for the San Leandro community in Washington D.C. supports shared responsibilities of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Partnerships from the federal to local levels are critical to improving the quality of life for San Leandro residents.

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