BART ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE (BATF) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The BART Accessibility Task Force advises the BART Board of Directors and staff on disability-related issues and advocates on behalf of people with disabilities and seniors to make the BART system accessible to all.

Individuals applying for membership to the BART Accessibility Task Force must fill out an application form. Applicants must be endorsed by the members of the BATF through a majority vote after attending three out four consecutive months. Their names are submitted by the BATF staff liaison to the BART Board of Directors for final approval.

1. APPLICANT BACKGROUND

Name: Samuel Buman

3. EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS

3.a. Names and purposes of boards, commissions, or task forces you currently serve on or have served on and its relevancy to serving on BART's Task Force (BATF). Please indicate dates of service and the positions you held, if any:

An active member in the disability Grassroots group in Sonoma County in 2001 which was established the prior year as a way educate people with disabilities using public transportation and advocating for themselves. More recently I was a member of the City of El Cerrito ADA advisory committee from 2016-2019. The committee advises the city on access issues for sidewalks.

3.b. Why do you want to serve on and what skills do you bring to the BART Accessibility Task Force (BATF):

Share my experience as a person with a disability who uses BART. I can also bring my own self-advocacy skills to the committee.

3.c. How would your membership assist in establishing communication with the disability community:

<u>I have been an active member of the disability community since 2000, which was 5</u> years after I attended the Youth Leadership Forum for Students with Disabilities (YLF).

Signature of Applicant: _	Samuel Ruman	Date: 07/03/24