

The SFCTA Community Advisory Committee meets Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 6 pm.

Tony Villa <tvobsf@gmail.com>
To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org>

Sat, Oct 22, 2022 at 3:11 PM

Re: The SFCTA Community Advisory Committee meets Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 6 pm.

Dear Advisory Committee,

I am a senior citizen and a dying breed in the city. I am a native San Franciscan that still remains living here. Most have left because it is no longer safe and has become a garbage dump. Growing up our transportation system was one of the best in the country. We could get anywhere by bus. Your foolish ideas and spending have ruined the city. What was once the greatest place on earth has been replaced by a transient tech community where our city leaders have bowed down to their money. Look at the tax breaks given to all these companies that have become empty office space. Muni is still broken, most SFMTA projects are over budget and long behind deadlines. Uber and taxi prices have skyrocketed and buses are unreliable. Our streets are not even safe to walk on.Our roads are full of potholes and human feces. Tents lining our streets and people living in cars have become the norm in the family neighborhoods of the city. Yet I don't see this in Pacific Heights, the Sea Cliff, St Francis Woods and other wealthy areas of the city. You cater to the wealthy and neglect the working class. There are waiting lists to get into private schools because our school system is so bad.

Now you want to approve hundreds of thousands of dollars to Walk SF and the bicycle lobby. You give money to SF Bicycle Coalition and Walk SF to use that money to lobby back at the city to do what they want, not what the tax paying public want. The wealthy tech people want more places to ride their bicycles and skateboards and close off the roads to the working class while they are allegedly working from home. Now you have around 30% plus empty office space problem causing the mom and pop adjacent businesses to go broke. Look at Market street now. It's a homeless encampment with the main businesses selling fentanyl.

I was a member of the SF Bike Coalition for over 20 years. The direction was to share the roads and promote bicycle safety. It was a grassroots organization of people who rode bicycles. Not techie millennials to ride electric bicycles up a hill and leave it there for somebody to pick up. I see press releases of teaching kids to ride their bikes to school. In reality it looks good but the kids will most likely get robbed and their bicycles stolen when alone on the streets. Why do I not see anything about telling pedestrians and kids not to look at their cell phones when crossing the street?? I see our youth and adults riding bicycles and staring into their phones... clueless! Why don't you make our streets and transportation better rather than give millions away that are wasted! Go by any school and you will see lines of cars picking up and driving their kids to school

because it's not safe out there. Your closed roads and slow streets only made traffic worse and more dangerous. The empty parklets that you are so proud of create blind spots making the roads even more dangerous. Look how many commercial spots with for rent signs there are with empty parklets taking up parking spaces. Stop wasting money and solve the problems. Giving money to lobby people is not going to solve your problems. Bike to Wherever Day \$41,758?? Why don't you publish this in your travel guides? You, yes you, have made San Francisco the laughing stock of the world.

recommendation to spend \$941,758 in Prop K funds for the following:

Bike to Wherever Day Sponsorship 2023: \$41,758.

Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach: \$110,000.

Beale Street Bikeway: \$640,000.

Brotherhood Way Safety and Circulation: \$175,516.

BART Hearing Loop at San Francisco Stations: \$150,000.

\$941,758 of wasted money!! In your meetings, how do you qualify all your past spending to these lobby groups only to show things have gotten worse. We got rid of a failing school board, and a poor district attorney. Which one of you will be next? Your board is like a flock of sheep with no direction.

Thank you,

Tony Villa



Public Comment Objecting to Item 7 on the Corrected Agenda of the October 26, 2022, 6 pm meeting of the SFCTA Community Advisory Committee PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judi Gorski <judigorski@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 11:58 AM

To: clerk@sfcta.org, elijah.saunders@sfcta.org

Cc: tilly.chang@sfcta.org, Judi - gmail Gorski <judigorski@gmail.com>

To:

Elijah Saunders Clerk of the Transportation Authority 1455 Market Street, 22nd Floor San Francisco, CA 94103 By email to: clerk@sfcta.org elijah.saunders@sfcta.org

cc: Tilly Chang, Director of SFCTA

tilly.chang@sfcta.org

From: Judi Gorski, San Francisco Resident

judigorski@gmail.com

Date: October 25, 2022.

Dear Clerk,

Yesterday I emailed the following Public Comment to Object to an Item on your Agenda that is now posted as being Item 7 instead of Item 6. My objection is to the approval to

"Allocate \$941,758 in Prop K Funds and Appropriate \$175,516, with Conditions, for Five Requests – ACTION*

Projects: BART: Hearing Loop at San Francisco Stations (\$150,000). SFCTA: Brotherhood Way Safety and Circulation (\$175,516). SFMTA: Bike to Wherever Day Sponsorship 2023 (\$41,758), Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach (\$110,000), Beale Street Bikeway (\$640,000)."

Please enter this email into the record as my Public Comment to object to Item 7 on the Corrected Agenda for your meeting scheduled for October 26, 2022, at 6:00 pm, concerning the approval of Prop K funds to finance bicycle-related projects. Please deliver a copy to each member on the Advisory Committee to read before the meeting. An acknowledgment of your receipt of this email would be appreciated. Thank you.

Director Chang, and Members of the SFCTA Community Advisory Committee,

Respectfully, I object to my tax dollars in the amount of \$41,758 being spent to sponsor "Bike to Wherever Day 2023." I object to contribuing \$110,000 to "Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach," and \$640,000 to the "Beale Street Bikeway," and any amount to any other bicycle-related projects.

It is my understanding that a very small percentage of San Franciscans use bicycles as their main means of transportation. This can be verified by checking SFMTA's own statistics. In their Travel Decisions Survey 2021 Summary Report on Page 5, published information indicates that only 3% of San Franciscans used bicycles as their preferred mode of transportation. In my opinion, the special interests of bicyclists should be financed privately by the 3% who are engaging in bicycle-related activities such as "Bike to Wherever Day," and "Bicycle Safety and Education." These events can be privately paid, as one does for skiing lessons or for a gym membership. To deplete City funds to

clog up our streets by diverting thousands of motor vehicles to higher injury networks in the name of creating something like the \$640,000 Beale Street Bikeway, is a gross misuse of our taxpayer money.

Please do not recommend the expenditure of Prop K funds to be used for any of the bicycle-related things listed in Item 7 on your Agenda. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely, Judi Gorski San Francisco Resident for 40+ years



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Patricia Arack <parack@ccsf.edu> To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org> Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 12:40 PM

Dear SFCTA Advisory Committee,

Regarding Item 7 on your Agenda, please consider the following as my Public Comments in objection to your Committee's approval of the expenditure of Prop K funds on any of the items listed.

I object to my tax dollars in the amount of \$41,758 being spent to sponsor "Bike to Wherever Day 2023." I object to contribuing \$110,000 to "Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach," and \$640,000 to the "Beale Street Bikeway," and any amount to any other bicycle-related projects.

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Patricia Arack, D4 San Francisco Resident

Patricia Arack



Expenditures

'Mike Regan' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org> Reply-To: Mike Regan <myoldgoat@yahoo.com> To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:08 PM

I am objecting to the expenditure of the following items:

Bike to Wherever Day Sponsorship 2023: \$41,758.

Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach: \$110,000.

Beale Street Bikeway: \$640,000.

Brotherhood Way Safety and Circulation: \$175,516.

I do not want you to spend one red cent on anything having to do with cycling in the city. As a voter and life long resident I am sick of the SFBC and other non profits PROFITING off of my tax dollars. We will see how this all shakes out in the next few weeks and I am hoping that you will all FINALLY see the error of your ways and get us back to per-pandemic streets.

I and many other voters are sick of SFMTA and their failure to provide the services they are entrusted to provide. Everything that the CTA has done in recent years has made things worse not better. The city has lost 6.8% of its residence, downtown is failing, the TL is the worse than I have ever seen it (I use to work those streets so I do know) and your changes have made Vision Zero a complete joke. In fact it should be called zero vision.

I and many others will be voting YES ON I, NO ON J and NO ON L.

Mike Regan



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Stephen J Gorski <sigorskilaw@gmail.com> To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:31 PM

To: Clerk@sfcta.org

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Stephen J. Gorski San Francisco Resident, D4 and voter

Sent from my iPhone



More bicycle expenditures from Prop K funds are uncalled for!

Vicki Bruckner <victoriabruckner988@gmail.com> To: clerk@sfcta.org Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:38 PM

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Victoria Thornton Bruckner San Francisco Resident



Propose Spending more on EV Charging in the city than More Money on Bicycles

Davis Leong davis leong@hotmail.com To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:25 PM

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Davis Leong

San Francisco Sunset Resident

Sent from Mail for Windows



Bike funding.

'Elaine BROWN' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org> Reply-To: Elaine BROWN <brown1053@aol.com> To: clerk@sfcta.org Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:42 PM

<u>Subject Line:</u> Public Comment Objecting to Item 7 on the Corrected Agenda of the October 26, 2022, 6 pm meeting of the SFCTA Community Advisory Committee

To: Clerk@sfcta.org

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elaine BREEN brown	(insert your name)
San Francisco Resident	
Sent from my iPhone	



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Will Griffith <wgriffith415@gmail.com> To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:56 PM

Dear SFCTA Advisory Committee,

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William Griffith

San Francisco Resident

Will Griffith

Cell: (415)816-6202



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danielle trower <dtrower07@gmail.com>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 1:59 PM

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Danielle Trower San Francisco Resident



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Galina Rafalovich <rafalov@gmail.com>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 4:27 PM

Dear SFCTA Advisory Committee,

San Francisco Resident from 1990

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_Galina Rafalovich	(insert your name)	



Public Comment Objecting to Item 7 on the Corrected Agenda of the October 26, 2022, 6 pm meeting of the SFCTA Community Advisor

birdofparadise567

 Fo: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 6:55 PM

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Linda Chan San Francisco Resident

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- PA Patricia ArackUGH update: SFCTA Spending
- W WishClearance sale! These / hoots are going UGH update: SFCTA Spending More \$\$\$ on Bikes! Please send form letter!!

PA Patricia Arack To: Patricia Arack Tue 10/25/2022 1:17 PM

Dear Concerned Residents of the Sunset and Friends:

PROTEST MORE BIKE FUNDING!

The SFCTA Citizens Advisory Committee is meeting tomorrow night, Wed. October 26, at 6 pm. Item 7 proposes more bike-related expenditures totaling almost \$800,000 AGAIN. MTA and CTA are throwing MILLIONS of \$\$\$ at 3% of the tax-paying residents who ride bikes. We must speak up against these wasteful and expensive expenses. The city has spent zip on EV infrastructure, which is the best way to fight climate change. I will send the agenda later (computer problem) for the meeting. If you can attend and wish to make a public comment, the instructions for doing that are at the beginning, first page.

Please copy and send the letter below. If 100 CRSers send this letter, that will make a strong statement of disapproval. This will take less than 4 minutes! (I timed myself). Be sure to sign your name to the letter. ALL LETTERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 8:AM WEDNESDAY MORNING. Thank you!

FORM LETTER TO COPY. EMAIL

TO clerk@sfcta.org

Subject Line: Public Comment Objecting to Item 7 on the Corrected Agenda of the October 26, 2022, 6 pm meeting of the SFCTA **Community Advisory Committee**

To: Clerk@sfcta.org

Dear SFCTA Advisory Committee,

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device



Public Comment Objecting to Item7 on the Corrected Agenda of the October 26,2022, 6 pm meeting of the SFCTA Community Advisory Committee

Tomasita Medál <tomasitamedal@gmail.com>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 7:11 PM

To: San Francisco County Transit Authority <clerk@sfcta.org>, Tomasita Medál <tomasitamedal@gmail.com>

Subject: Public Comment Objecting to Item 7

To: Clerk@sfcta.org

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Tomasita Medál San Francisco Resident



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Karen Myers <karenmsf@sbcglobal.net>
To: Clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 7:13 PM

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Karen Myers San Francisco Resident



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'antispila' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org> Reply-To: antispila <antispila@yahoo.com> To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 9:53 PM

Dear SFCTA Advisory Committee,

Regarding Item 7 on your Agenda, please consider the following as my Public Comments in objection to your Committee's approval of the expenditure of Prop K funds on any of the items listed.

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Candace Low San Francisco Resident



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Apolo Pena <apolo4pena@gmail.com> To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 10:29 PM

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Christina Shih <christinashih94121@gmail.com> To: Clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 2:41 PM

In addition to this email I point out to you from the SFMTA's own data on Modes of Transportation survey from 2019 to 2020, despite all these measures for bicycles bicycle use only went up 1%, car use 13%, muni use -11%. Whatever you are doing is NOT getting people out of cars. Pay attention to SF Muni and get it safe, reliable and convenient and that will give your more bang for your buck vs these bicycles infrastructure efforts.

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(Christina Shih	_ (insert your name)	
San Francisco	Resident		



Public comment on SFCTA Community Advisory agenda item (10-26-22 meeting)

'Charles Perkins' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org>
Reply-To: Charles Perkins <cperkinssf@yahoo.com>
To: "Clerk@sfcta.org" <Clerk@sfcta.org>

Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 2:55 PM

Dear SFCTA Community Advisory Committee,

I am a San Francisco resident of over 33 years, and I adamantly oppose even a nickel of my tax dollars being given to the Bike Coalition or spent on its causes (agenda item #7). Let's not kid ourselves. The Bike Coalition is, first and foremost, an agenda-driven political action group. It tags on additional "functions" to its resume to allow allies in city government to give it tax money through sole source contracts, with that money then used to prop up its entire infrastructure. There is little question of improper comingling of funds, and just recently the Bike Coalition demonstrated that it is more than willing to abuse its status to advance its agenda. In case you're not aware of this, please read here: https://sfstandard.com/politics/jfk-drive-great-highway-sf-bicycle-coalition-walk-campaign/

I do not support the Bike Coalition's agenda, which, at its core, is to punish people who drive automobiles as much as possible. Need proof? You have heard dozens if not hundreds or thousands of times over the years that bike-friendly expenditures of tax dollars are needed to advance Vision Zero, and are needed to combat climate change. But when it comes to closing San Francisco's Great Highway to drivers, it is indisputable that forcing 18,000 to 20,000 daily drivers off what the City's own statistics show to be the SAFEST two-mile stretch of roadway anywhere in San Francisco onto four preferred detour routes, all of which are high-injury networks (Sloat Boulevard., Lincoln Way, Sunset Boulevard and 19th Avenue), or through residential streets having four-way intersections at every block and where kids are running into streets after balls, cars are pulling off curbs and backing out of driveways into traffic, etc.) makes San Francisco's streets less safe and UNDERMINES Vision Zero. Similarly, there's no question that forcing 18,000 to 20,000 daily drivers off the most fuel-efficient route for traversing the two-mile stretch and causing them to be in their cars longer, logging more miles as they detour out of their ways, in less fuel-efficient conditions than the Great Highway affords--not to mention the congestion and even gridlock created elsewhere when the highway is closed--causes additional carbon emissions to be released into the atmosphere. Even though in every other instance the Bike Coalition and its allies cite Vision Zero and climate change and the impetus behind its agenda and why it should be given taxpayers' dollars, it supports closing the Great Highway (and illegally raises money to help make that happen https://sfstandard.com/politics/ifk-drive-great-highway-sf-bicycle-coalition-walk-<u>campaign/</u>). How can that be? The truth is that the agenda is, first an foremost, stick it to people who drive cars. I don't support that agenda, and I don't support the Bike Coalition.

I guaranty that my family and I walk more than do 90% of San Franciscans. But like so many families, working people who need to get to jobs, persons with mobility challenges, and so many others, we drive our cars sometimes. I don't want any more tax money being given to the Bike Coalition (or Walk SF) until there has been a full audit by a neutral third party and until the sole source contracts are reexamined. Even then, I don't want public money spent on things like "Bike to Wherever Day," "Bicycle Safety and Outreach," or "Beale Street Bikeway." This money could be far better spent on things that serve the overwhelming majority of San Franciscans rather than special interest groups. I'm not sure if Prop K money can be spent on developing the City's electrical vehicle infrastructure and providing EV incentives, but if so, direct it there and do a

service to all San Franciscans. If not, spend it on more busses and trains. But no more public money on these special interests.

Thank you, Charles Perkins San Francisco



SFCTA CAC Meeting - Oct. 26, 2022 - Agenda Item 7

Jean Barish <jeanbbarish@hotmail.com> To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org> Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 3:26 PM

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Stay safe and be well



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Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 3:42 PM

To: Clerk@sfcta.org

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I strongly object to any further funding of any SF Bicycle Coalition contracts. Their sole source contracts have no accountability and no verifiable deliverables. This is just a corrupt transfer of our tax dollars to what is effectively a political action group that can no longer support itself via grass roots membership fees.

Peter Pirolli Senior Research Scientist Institute for Human and Machine Cognition



PUBLIC COMMENT OPPOSING SFCTA CAC ITEMS 6 AND 7, CAC 10-26-22 MEETING

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Tue, Oct 25, 2022 at 4:41 PM

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PUBLIC COMMENT OPPOSING SFCTA CAC, October 26, 2022, AGENDA ITEM 6: ["Final Approval] Approve the Transportation Authority's Project Priorities for the Senate Bill I Local Partnership Competitive Grant Program"] AND AGENDA ITEM 7: "Allocate \$941,758 in Prop K Funds and Appropriate \$175,516...for Five Requests."

This Public Comment OPPOSES SFCTA CAC Agenda Item 6, in particular the proposed "SFPW: Transbay Howard Streetscape Improvements." ["Project"] Please distribute this to all members of the SFCTA CAC in advance of its October 25, 2022 meeting, and place a copy of this Comment in all applicable files.

The Project (Item 6(2)) proposes an increment of \$12,875,000 to eliminate traffic lanes and parking on a busy downtown arterial and to construct protected bicycle lanes on Howard Street from the Embarcadero to 4th Street. The Project has already been partially implemented as "Vision Zero Quickbuild Projects" for which no accounting is provided, and states it will also extend from "4th to 11th Street, nearly two miles."

The total is not just the \$12,875,000 today, but is **\$66,175,175** for this *one* bicycle Project! (Packet Attachment 1, SB1 "Priorities").

Just today one of the large tech offices on Howard Street, "Snapchat," shuttered its operations with more than 1,200 layoffs. (https://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/snapchat-closes-san-francisco-office-17530730.php) In short, if any office workers rode bicycles to offices on Howard Street, they haven't done so since the new age of remote work. Thus, obstructing vehicles and commerce on Howard Street for this \$66,175,175 bicycle path is one more stupendous waste of public money, much like the dismal billion-dollar (including bonds) bicycle path on a raised sidewalk called "Better Market Street."

The alleged CEQA review is claimed to be part of the "Transit Center EIR." It is not, and the Project will clearly have significant impacts on transportation, congestion, parking, air quality, VMT, energy consumption, and public safety, affecting emergency vehicles, and evacuation in emergencies, with no proposed mitigation measures or alternatives in the "Transit Center EIR" for those impacts. This Project cannot be lawfully approved without environmental review and mitigation under CEQA.

The SFCTA "Community Advisory Committee" did not hear the Howard Street Item-- one more reason to NOT approve it today-- because "this item was not ready for presentation to the CAC in September because staff needed to gather additional project details." (Packet [Staff Memo, 10/11/22, at page 4].)

Meanwhile, SFCTA's Citizen Advisory Committee will consider on October 26, 2022 another \$941,758 in bicycle funding, including "Bike to Wherever Day Sponsorship 2023" \$41,758; "Bicycle Safety Education and Outreach \$110,000 (both of which are grants *without* competitive bidding to the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition); "Beale Street Bikeway" \$640,000, and "BART Hearing Loop," a total expenditure of \$941,758 in Prop. K sales tax funds. The San Francisco Bicycle Coalition has fewer than 10,000 members, less than one percent of San Francisco travelers. According to MTA's data, the bicycle mode share (preferred travel mode) is less than three percent of San Franciscans. (Corey, Canapary & Galanis Research: San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) Travel Decisions Survey 2021, p. 5.)

The public's approval of Proposition K and SB 1 did not contemplate huge expenditures for bicycle projects. This public money should be spent on improving travel for the 97% of the public that does not have the leisure time and money for bicycling.

Because it does not comply with CEQA, please do *not* approve the \$12,875,000 in SB 1 public money today (SFCTA CAC AGENDA ITEM 6) for the "Howard Streetscape Plan," and do not approve the \$941,758 in more bicycle funding under Proposition K (SFCTA CAC AGENDA ITEM 7).

Mary Miles