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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Floor 9
Washington, DC 20003-3660

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I write today in support of the City of Portsmouth, Virginia's grant proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program to assist with the Complete High Street Innovation Corridor project.

This project is a multimodal, complete streets roadway improvement initiative along an approximately 1.3-mile stretch of High Street between Chestnut Street and the Martin Luther King Expressway in the City of Portsmouth. I understand that the proposed improvements will make the roadway safer for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians; rehabilitate century old stormwater and sewer lines; and increase the economic competitiveness of the underutilized area west of Downtown Portsmouth as the roadway connects Olde Towne Portsmouth with the newly designed innovation district. It is my understanding that this project will bolster mobility and community connectivity in an area defined by the program as an Area of Persistent Poverty.

I ask that you give this proposal every appropriate consideration. To the extent possible, please continue to update my office on the status of this grant by emailing GrantSupport_Warner@warner.senate.gov.

Thank you for your service on behalf of my constituents.

Sincerely,



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