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Mr. Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

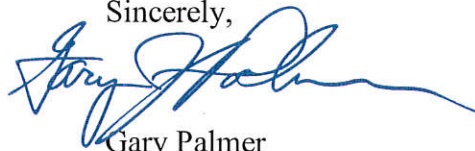
Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

Please accept this letter in support of the City of Birmingham, the Birmingham Jefferson County Transit Authority, and other local stakeholders' Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application, titled "Birmingham Urban Trail + Multimodal Corridor Birmingham Civil Rights Crossroads: Reconnecting Historic Neighborhoods Through Active Mobility", which has been submitted to your office for review.

It is my understanding that this is a competitive grant and, if funded, would be used to advance plans for the Birmingham Urban Trail and Multimodal Corridor. This corridor will celebrate, honor, and revitalize the Smithfield neighborhood, the west side of Birmingham, and the Civil Rights District, and would help provide safe options via an urban trail and Complete Streets, creating a more walkable, connected, and livable community.

Please give this grant application all due consideration for funding.

Sincerely,



Gary Palmer
Member of Congress

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