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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 24, 2021

Secretary Peter Paul Montgomery Buttigieg United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

Today I am writing to convey my support for the City of Salem's *McGilchrist Complete Street* project application to the United States Department of Transportation's 2021 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity grant. The implementation of the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project will significantly improve mobility and access along the McGilchrist Street corridor while also supporting continued development of the area. This is important to the businesses and constituents who operate and live in the area we serve.

The project will involve over 8,000 linear feet of roadway improvements, including a crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. The project is within an active Urban Renewal Area, it is adjacent to the Salem Municipal Airport, and provides direct access to both the Veterans Administration and Social Security offices. Having lived in Salem for nearly 30 years, this project is long overdue and will increase the overall economic and livability of our greater community.

The project will result in an up-to-date transportation facility providing necessary elements including; travel lanes, sidewalks, bike lanes, and signalized intersections, to promote development of properties in the area. There will also be stream crossing improvements incorporated into the project on two branches of Pringle Creek.

The investments implemented as part of the *McGilchrist Complete Streets* project are needed, and I hope the application submitted by the City of Salem to the RAISE grant receives every reasonable consideration. If I may provide any further information or answer any questions, please reach out. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Raquel Moore-Green

State Representative, District 19