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October 5, 2017

The Honorable Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: KC CORE Project, Kansas City, Missouri
TIGER Grant Application

Dear Secretary Chao,

The KC CORE (Connecting Our Riverfront for Everyone) project has made an application for a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER 2017) grant to fund a multi-modal connection (extension) of the KC Streetcar through to the Berkley Riverfront. As the State Senator from Missouri representing the expansion, I would like to take this opportunity to submit my letter of support on behalf of the KC CORE project.

The expansion represents the partnering of the Kansas City Port Authority, the Kansas City Streetcar Authority (KCSA), the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) and business community in an effort to extend the 2.2 mile streetcar line through to the Berkley Riverfront Park. The half-mile project is a natural extension of the initial KC Streetcar and bridging to the riverfront will allow for more integrated recreation, bike, pedestrian, parking, and commuter options in our system. In addition, it will provide over 50 acres of development-ready ground to the City's existing economic development.

KC CORE's project is vital to Kansas City's economic growth and will have significant regional impact on multi-modal accessibility for future generations. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jason R. Holsman'.

Jason R. Holsman
State Senator
District 7