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Missouri Department of Transportation Patrick K. McKenna, Director

July 16, 2018

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

Dear Secretary Chao,

This letter is submitted as support for the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority's (KCATA) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) application to extend the KC Streetcar starter line to the Berkley Riverfront.

This project is an extension of the KC Streetcar starter line and promotes integrated commuter options – including recreation, bike, pedestrian, and parking for the RideKC regional system. Moreover, this project will bridge existing railroad barriers and connect to downtown Kansas City.

The Kansas City Streetcar Authority, the Port Authority of Kansas City, the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and KCATA will provide the match to deliver this project by 2021.

We look forward in seeing this project become a reality. Thank you for your consideration of KCATA's application for BUILD funding.

Sincerely,

Ed Hassinger, P.E. Chief Engineer

