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The Honorable Elaine Chao Secretary of Transportation U. S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590-0001

Dear Secretary Chao:

It has come to my attention that the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) has submitted an application for federal funds under the U.S. Department of Transportation's Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program.

If awarded, these funds will go toward expanding the current streetcar route by three-quarters-mile. The project will bridge existing railroad barriers and better connect over 50 acres of development-ready land adjacent to the proposed route while providing increased access to the KC riverfront.

It is my hope that you will give this request from the KCATA full and fair consideration.

Simere regards,

Member of Congress