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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing in regard to the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application submitted by the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT). SDDOT intends to use this grant to reconstruct South Dakota (SD) Highway 73 from Kadoka to south of the White River, as well as portions of SD Highway 248 in Kadoka. This project will also include the replacement of a box culvert.

This section of SD Highway 73 provides a vital link from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation to Interstate 90. According to the SDDOT, this project will improve access and increase safety to a historically disadvantaged community.

I strongly urge you to give full and careful consideration to SDDOT's RAISE application.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress