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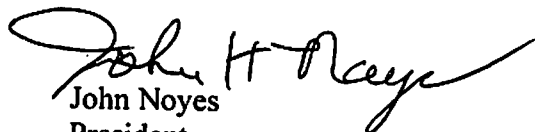
RE: Letter of Support for the 2021 RAISE Discretionary Grant: La Crosse County French Island Freight and Mobility Improvements

Dear Secretary Buttigieg

I am writing this letter to express our support for La Crosse County, WI request for 2021 DOT RAISE Discretionary grant to improve freight, safety and mobility access on French Island, WI. The 2021 RAISE grant will provide La Crosse County with the ability to reconstruct the existing roadway system with alternatives that include bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, reconfigured intersections (roundabouts considered at Clinton Street and Fanta Reed Place) to improve safety, and improved grading and storm water facilities. The project will replace deteriorating pavement conditions, provide bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and improve safety and operations along the corridor. Construction of the La Crosse French Island Freight and Mobility Improvements will greatly benefit the transportation infrastructure and I am writing to express my support. F.J.Robers Co., Inc. handles over 600,000 tons of bulk commodities annually, originating from and distend to, locations around the world. The interconnect between the interstate, highways, river, and rail is vital to the efficient movement of these exports and imports. By connecting to all these modes of transportation, we not only have a huge economic impact, but also save fuel and lessen the environmental effects that are generated by these movements.

Please give this 2021 RAISE Discretionary Grant proposal your full attention and if I can answer anything further please let me know. I may be reached at 608-792-0636

Sincerely,



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