

## JILL BILLINGS STATE REPRESENTATIVE

June 30, 2021

Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

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

Dear Secretary Buttigleg,

I am writing this letter to express my support for the La Crosse County, WI request for 2021 DOT RAISE Discretionary grant funds 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. This 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 my constituents and my community and I am writing to express my strong support.

Please give this 2021 RAISE Discretionary Grant proposal your full attention and if I can answer any further questions, please let me know. I may be reached at <a href="mailto:Rep.Billings@legis.wisconsin.gov">Rep.Billings@legis.wisconsin.gov</a> or 608-266-5780.

Sincerely,

Jill Billings

State Representative 95<sup>th</sup> Assembly District