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More than 30 community residents

Project narrative, appendices, and letters of support are available online:
<https://www.columbus.gov/LivingstonAvenuePedestrianSafetyStudy/>

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

September 12, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I write to bring to your attention the competitive application submitted by the City of Columbus for funding in the FY 2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

I understand that the City of Columbus seeks funding for the Livingston Avenue West Project to address traffic and safety concerns on Livingston Avenue from 18th Street to Nelson Road. The project area is within the city's High Injury Network (HIN), and many locations throughout possess HIN's highest crash densities. In addition, the project corridor contains many citizens that within the census track of those heavily affected by the construction of I-70. This construction has led to a significant physical and economic burden for residents of Columbus. The City of Columbus is committed to their Vision Zero Action Plan, which focuses on eliminating deaths and serious injuries in the transportation system by 2035. The Livingston Avenue West Project would create a model for safety improvements with a focus on reducing severe crashes and vehicular operating speeds.

Assistance from your agency would allow the City of Columbus to give citizens additional access to local and regional connections while reducing the threat of vehicular injury or death in Central Ohio.

Please give all due consideration to this request. If there are any questions, please contact my Grants Coordinator, Grant Bagshaw, at (513) 316-5485. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Rob Portman
United States Senator

JOYCE BEATTY
OHIO, 3RD DISTRICT

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September 15, 2022

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Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing this letter to express my strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

The City of Columbus is committed to building an equitable transportation system that addresses long-term poverty and uplifts disadvantaged communities. The Livingston Avenue project corridor is centered along neighborhoods torn apart by inequities in transportation planning. To help rectify the traffic violence along this roadway, the City of Columbus is studying safety improvements, including potential lane reallocation, on Livingston Avenue as part of its Vision Zero Action Plan, which it adopted in 2020. Livingston Avenue provides local and regional connections to essential services in and around the project corridor, including Livingston Elementary School, Driving Park and its pool and community recreation center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health. The entire project corridor is part of the City's High Injury Network (HIN), and the project corridor has some of the highest crash densities on the entire HIN. This project will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes.

This project will also benefit census tracts that were divided and heavily, adversely impacted by the construction of I-70 through Central Ohio. The physical and economic impact was felt beyond the streets and homes demolished by the construction; the fracturing of these communities contributed to a slow and precipitous decline of the physically unscathed areas within these census tracts, including Livingston Avenue. This project is an opportunity to reinvest and reinvigorate the Livingston Avenue corridor and its surrounding communities. These are communities with rich histories, and neighbors that have had a significant impact on American history. National Inventors Hall of Fame Inductee Granville T. Woods was born near



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A SS4A grant is necessary to leverage the city's current financial commitment in such a way that the project becomes truly transformational. I respectfully request that the U.S. Department of Transportation consider the challenges of the corridor, the need to create more transportation opportunities within it, and the potential this project has to positively impact our community. I urge your consideration of the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joyce Beatty". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Congresswoman Joyce Beatty
Ohio Congressional District 3

26th House District

Franklin County

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Latyna M. Humphrey State Representative

September 15, 2022

Dear Partners,

I hope this message finds you and yours healthy and well.

We need your help in pursuing a \$12 million **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant** from the **U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT)** for the **Livingston Avenue West project from 18th Street to Nelson Road**. The City will match this \$12 million grant ask with \$12 million in additional local funding to address some of the City's most significant traffic violence and safety concerns, while reinvesting in and reinvigorating underserved communities that were divided and adversely impacted by the construction of I-70 through Central Ohio.

The City is currently studying safety improvements on Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road, as part of its [Vision Zero Action Plan](#). Vision Zero is focused on actions that result in zero deaths and serious injuries in our transportation system by 2035. The study will develop a plan for improvements to promote safety for all roadway users with a focus on reducing severe crashes and vehicular operating speeds. The entire project corridor is part of the City's High Injury Network (HIN), and it has some of the HIN's highest crash densities. This project will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes. The Livingston Avenue West project, however, is more than just a safety project.

The project corridor is located completely within census tracts that were heavily impacted by the construction of I-70 through Central Ohio. The physical and economic impact was felt beyond the streets and homes demolished by the construction; the fracturing of these communities contributed to a slow and precipitous decline of the physically unscathed areas within these census tracts, including the project corridor. This investment will significantly improve the safety and accessibility of the commercial corridor and other points of community interest, including Livingston Elementary School, the Edward V. Rickenbacker House, the Rickenbacker-Woods Foundation, Driving Park Community Recreation Center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health.

We would greatly appreciate your endorsement of this project with a letter of support from your organization to show USDOT that we have deep and broad support for this project.

Please feel free to reach out to my office at any time. I can be reached at 614-466-8010 or rep26@ohiohouse.gov

Thank you for your service and dedication to our community,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Latyna M. Humphrey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Latyna M. Humphrey
State Representative
26th Ohio House District



The Honorable Maryellen O'Shaughnessy
Franklin County Clerk of Courts

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September 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Franklin County Clerk of Courts Office, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

The Franklin County Clerk of Courts' Office employees approximately 200 full-time Deputy Clerks that serve in five divisions: Auto Title, Legal, Fiscal Services, Information Technology, and Administration. Four of those divisions are in seven different offices in the Franklin County Courthouse complex. The fifth, Auto Title, is in four conveniently located branch offices throughout Franklin County. Each division is important to the Franklin County Clerk of Courts' two major functions: management of court documents and issuance of auto titles.

Ensuring the safety of our employees and customers, whether pedestrian, bicyclists, or drivers, is important to me as an elected official. Additionally, I think it is crucial that we offset the impact of the I-70 construction on Livingston Avenue.

The City of Columbus is committed to building an equitable transportation system that addresses long-term poverty and uplifts disadvantaged communities. The Livingston Avenue project corridor is centered along neighborhoods torn apart by inequities in transportation planning. To help rectify the traffic violence along this roadway, the City of Columbus is studying safety improvements, including potential lane reallocation, on Livingston Avenue as part of its Vision Zero Action Plan, which it adopted in 2020. Livingston Avenue provides local and regional connections to essential services in and around the project corridor, including Livingston Elementary School, Driving Park and its pool and community recreation center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health. The entire project corridor is part of the City's High Injury Network (HIN), and the project corridor has some of the highest crash densities on the entire HIN. This project will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes.

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A SS4A grant is necessary to leverage the city's current financial commitment in such a way that the project becomes truly transformational. We respectfully request that the U.S. Department of Transportation consider the challenges of the corridor, the need to create more transportation opportunities within it, and the potential this project has to positively impact our community. We urge your consideration of the application.

Sincerely,



Maryellen O'Shaughnessy
Franklin County Clerk of Courts



CORNELL R. ROBERTSON, P.E., P.S.
FRANKLIN COUNTY ENGINEER

September 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Request (SS4A) – City of Columbus, Ohio, Livingston Avenue Corridor

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

As the elected Franklin County Engineer, I support the City of Columbus' application for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary program grant for the Livingston Avenue, from Eighteenth Street to Nelson Road Improvement project. The Livingston Avenue corridor is centered along neighborhoods torn apart by past inequities in transportation planning. The City of Columbus is studying safety improvements, including potential lane reallocation, along Livingston Avenue.

Livingston Avenue provides local and regional connections to essential services in and around the project corridor, including Livingston Elementary School, Driving Park and its pool and community recreation center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health. This project corridor has some of the highest crash densities in the City's High Injury Network (HIN) and improvements will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes.

I also am committed to Vision Zero whose mission is to eliminate traffic fatalities and serious injuries. Not only will developing Livingston Avenue improve safety and traffic flow, but it is also an opportunity to reinvest, rediscover, and reconnect surrounding communities and neighborhoods with rich histories. I respectfully request you consider the challenges of this corridor, along with the potential this project has to positively improve safety for all road users, and urge your approval of their application.

Sincerely,

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Cornell R. Robertson, P.E., P.S.
Franklin County Engineer

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Daniel J. O'Connor, Jr.

Franklin County Recorder

September 9, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Franklin County Ohio Recorder's Office, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

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Daniel J. O'Connor, Jr.

Franklin County Recorder

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Sincerely,

Danny O'Connor
Franklin County Ohio Recorder

September 15, 2022

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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
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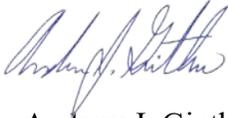
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Sincerely,

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Andrew J. Ginther
Mayor
City of Columbus

September 12th, 2022

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Sincerely,



Shannon G. Hardin
President
Columbus City Council



Lourdes Barroso de Padilla
Chair, Public Service & Transportation
Committee
Columbus City Council



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Franklin County joins the City of Columbus in a shared and deeply held commitment to building a more equitable community. An important part of this work is ensuring we have an equitable transportation system that addresses long-term poverty, connects neighborhoods, and uplifts historically disadvantaged communities. The Livingston Avenue project corridor is centered along neighborhoods torn apart by historic inequities in transportation planning. To help rectify the traffic violence along this roadway, the City of Columbus is studying safety improvements, including potential lane reallocation, on Livingston Avenue as part of its Vision Zero Action Plan, which it adopted in 2020. Livingston Avenue provides local and regional connections to essential services in and around the project corridor, including Livingston Elementary School, Driving Park and its pool and community recreation center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health. The entire project corridor is part of the City's High Injury Network (HIN), and the project corridor has some of the highest crash densities on the entire HIN. This project will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes.

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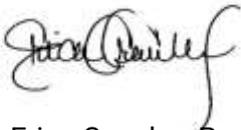
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Sincerely,

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Erica Crawley, President
Franklin County Board of Commissioners



City of Bexley

September 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary ~~Buttigieg~~:

Mayor Pete!

I am writing this letter to express my strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

As our City's southern boundary lines run along Livingston Avenue, Bexley is familiar with the acute need for improvements and strongly in support of thoughtful, community-minded plans to improve safety and to provide for a more equitable transportation system.

The City of Bexley shares the City of Columbus's commitment to building an equitable transportation system that addresses long-term poverty and uplifts disadvantaged communities. The Livingston Avenue project corridor is centered along neighborhoods torn apart by inequities in transportation planning. To help rectify the traffic violence along this roadway, the City of Columbus is studying safety improvements, including potential lane reallocation, on Livingston Avenue as part of its Vision Zero Action Plan, which it adopted in 2020. Livingston Avenue provides local and regional connections to essential services in and around the project corridor, including Livingston Elementary School, Driving Park and its pool and community recreation center, Livingston Park, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and Columbus Public Health. The entire project corridor is part of the City's High Injury Network (HIN), and the project corridor has some of the highest crash densities on the entire HIN. This project will provide a significant reduction in all crash types, especially crashes involving vulnerable road users and fatal and serious injury crashes.

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Mayor Ben Kessler

City Council

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A SS4A grant is necessary to leverage the city's current financial commitment in such a way that the project becomes truly transformational. We respectfully request that the U.S. Department of Transportation consider the challenges of the corridor, the need to create more transportation opportunities within it, and the potential this project has to positively impact our community. We urge your consideration of the application.

Sincerely,

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Mayor Ben Kessler



September 9, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

AHACO is a nonprofit organization that uses data, research, and collaboration to craft equitable solutions to solve Franklin County's 54,000-household affordable housing gap. The Livingston Avenue project will support the critical infrastructure necessary to build vibrant, affordable, inclusive communities.

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Sincerely,



Carlie J. Boos, Executive Director



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The Age-Friendly Innovation Center believes communities have the opportunity to improve quality of life of residents through improvements to our built environment. As Columbus see a near doubling of our older adult residents, we are presented with the unique opportunity to invest in community improvement that make it more livable for individuals of all ages. The Ohio Department of Transportation's State Highway Safety Plan, from 2012-2016, documented that Franklin County was one of six Ohio counties that had over 5,000 crashes involving drivers 65 and older and that older Columbus adults account for the highest percentage of serious injuries and fatalities when involved in crashes.

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Sincerely,

Marisa Sheldon

Marisa Sheldon, MSW, LISW-S
Director, Age-Friendly Innovation Center
Director, Age-Friendly Columbus and Franklin County
College of Social Work, The Ohio State University



September 8, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Franklin County hospital systems, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

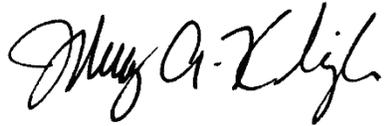
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Jeffrey A. Klingler
President and CEO

September 13, 2022

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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

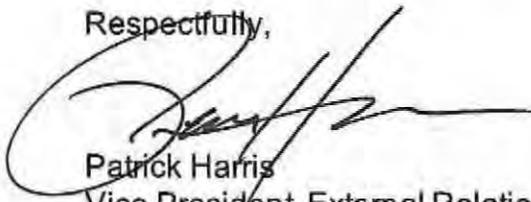
COTA is the Columbus region's mobility solutions provider, driven each day to connect people to prosperity through innovation, dedication and teamwork. We serve a region of more than 1.4 million people and provide fixed-route transit, paratransit and microtransit service. COTA provides fixed-route service along Livingston Avenue with our Line 1 with hundreds of boardings daily on average. This proposed project would greatly improve access to Line 1, and several other connections, as well as provide needed safety enhancements for transit riders. COTA is also committed to working with the City of Columbus to coordinate transit stop location enhancements should the project move forward.

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Respectfully,



Patrick Harris
Vice President, External Relations
Central Ohio Transit Authority



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RE: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

As a leading voice for businesses in central Ohio, the Columbus Chamber represents over 2,300 member businesses across the 11-county Columbus Region. For our member and business community, by and large, we believe road infrastructure plays a crucial role by providing mobility for the efficient movements of people and goods, as well as providing accessibility to a wide variety of commercial and social activities.

The Livingston Avenue West project is especially important when it comes to the economy in the Columbus region. A large number of businesses throughout the city rely on the expedience of delivery of their goods and/or services over the road in order to compete in the fast-paced business world. Roadways provide the quickest route from Point A to Point B, meaning that those who must use this method of delivery will need to utilize the fastest and most direct means of travel. This is where the local roadway system becomes very important. Since time equals money the shortest, most direct route will prove to be the most lucrative.

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Professional regards,



Don DePerro
President & CEO
Columbus Chamber of Commerce

COLUMBUS^{*} DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION & CAPITOL SOUTH

September 12, 2022

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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation (CDDC) I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

CDDC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to revitalize Downtown Columbus, the economic engine for Columbus and the region. Our Downtown boundaries are physically defined by interstates ringing the city center; 670 on the north, 71 on the east, 70 on the south and the CSX Railroad tracks to the west. While a rising tide lifts all boats, the massive infrastructure encircling Downtown has minimized the amount adjacent neighborhoods have been able to benefit from Downtown's revitalization since 2002. Over the last year we've engaged with residents as part of a master planning process for Downtown Columbus and the requests from the community are clear – enhance equity, cultivate walkability and create connectivity through and to Downtown Columbus. The Livingston Avenue project would be a critical step in creating a more connected, inclusive Columbus, where everyone has the opportunity to share in Downtown's prosperity.

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Sincerely,



Amy Taylor
President, CDDC & Capitol South

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Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA), I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

CMHA provides affordable housing and access to supportive services to the individuals we serve. We serve approximately 160,000 residents throughout the state of Ohio and Washington D.C. We also own over 40 communities with over 4,500 affordable and mixed-income apartments. This project would greatly benefit the residents we serve.

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Charles D. Hillman
President & CEO



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Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

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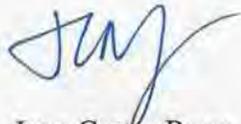
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Jean Carter Ryan
President



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September 15, 2022

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Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), which includes the City of Columbus, supports the City's application for a Safe Streets for All grant for Livingston Avenue between 18th Street and Nelson Road.

The entire Livingston Avenue corridor is identified on the Central Ohio Regional High Injury Network, which includes high injury corridors within MORPC's MPO area where multiple fatal and serious injury crashes occurred along continuous, or mostly continuous, stretches of roadways. This HIN is used to highlight the priority corridors for safety improvements throughout the region and helps to prioritize where safety funding is invested within the region. Multiple projects along the corridor are also identified in MORPC's 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for complete streets improvements. Funding for this section of the corridor would fill a critical gap in connectivity for people walking and bicycling in this part of the region.

There has already been a concerted effort to make some of these planned improvements along different segments of Livingston Avenue. The City of Columbus recently coordinated with its neighboring jurisdiction, the City of Bexley, to complete a road diet along the portion of Livingston Avenue east of Nelson Road as part of a resurfacing project. The two communities are continuing that collaboration to obtain funding and implement a future reconstruction of that section of the corridor, which will include dedicated shared use path for people walking and bicycling. Additionally, the City of Columbus recently received assistance through MORPC's Technical Assistance Program to identify priority corridors for improving bicycle and pedestrian connectivity between the downtown area and near-east side neighborhoods. Livingston Avenue was identified as a critical corridor for providing that connectivity.

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William Murdock, AICP
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September 15, 2022
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We look forward to seeing critical safety improvements implemented along this segment of Livingston Avenue. Thank you for your consideration of this important safety project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicholas T. Gill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "N".

Nicholas T. Gill
Transportation Director



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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
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Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

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Lisa Patt-McDaniel
CEO
Workforce Development Board of Central Ohio
1650 Lake Shore Drive, Suite 110
Columbus, OH 43204

September 8, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of The Mannik & Smith Group, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

Mannik & Smith employs over 400 people, with most located in Ohio and Michigan, including a large office in Columbus, Ohio. The Livingston Avenue project would help in my personal goal of being on the forefront of undoing some of the damage done to disadvantaged communities with the interstate system in urban areas.

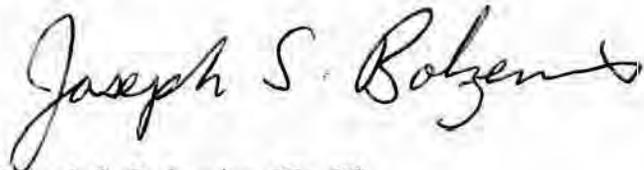
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Joseph S. Bolzenius, PE, PS



WODA COOPER COMPANIES

September 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Woda Cooper Companies, Inc., I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

Woda Cooper Development, Inc. is a fully integrated development, architecture, construction, and property management company which over the past 30 years has created a strong portfolio of over 14,000 housing units in rural, suburban, and urban settings over 320 housing properties across 16 states. Our organization currently operates a 45-unit senior facility and has proposed a 118-unit general occupancy community along the Livingston Avenue corridor. Many of our residents rely on the pedestrian and transit facilities along this high-traffic corridor and their safety is our number one concern.

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Sincerely,



Jeff Woda, Director Emeritus
Woda Cooper Companies, Inc.





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September 13, 2022
The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of AAA Ohio Auto Club, which represents 885,000 members, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

For more than a century AAA has worked to improve the quality and safety of the nation's roadways. AAA members rely each and every day on our roads, bridges and transit systems. A transportation system capable of serving the travel demands of people and the movement of goods and services is fundamental to the development and prosperity of communities. Further, safe mobility for all people must be prioritized. This project helps achieve both of those goals.

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David McMullen
President and CEO
AAA Ohio Auto Club



September 13, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary, Buttigieg:

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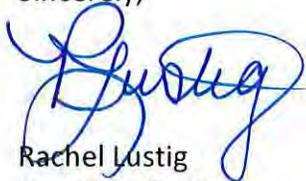
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Sincerely,



Rachel Lustig
President/CEO



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September 13, 2022

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Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of The Columbus Foundation, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

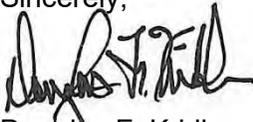
As one of the largest community foundations in the country, The Columbus Foundation's role in the community is to strengthen and improve Columbus for the benefit of all its residents. In this role, the Foundation has supported numerous organizations working in the geographic area under consideration, including Halt Violence, Columbus Metropolitan Libraries, Alvis, and Rickenbacker Woods. These organizations work every day to assist and strengthen the communities along the Livingston Avenue corridor that have been so important in the history of Columbus.

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Douglas F. Kridler
President and CEO



Patrick Losinski, CEO

September 9, 2022
The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

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CML exists to inspire reading, share resources and connect people. With a staff of over 800 and budget of approximately \$78 million, CML annually welcomes 2.2 million customers to our Main Library and 22 branches in Franklin County, Ohio. CML is well-known for signature services and programs like School Help, Reading Buddies, Summer Reading Challenge and Ready for Kindergarten. The library's Strategic Plan supports the vision of "a thriving community where wisdom prevails," which positions CML to respond to areas of urgent need: kids unprepared for kindergarten, third grade reading proficiency, high school graduation, college and career readiness and employment resources.

CML's Driving Park branch is located within the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All proposed project area. The branch was completely re-envisioned in 2014 to meet the changing needs of the community. The new building has an expanded children's space along with a dedicated Ready for Kindergarten area to help familiarize preschoolers and their families with a kindergarten classroom. The building also features a larger School Help Center where K-12 students can get free after-school assistance and a YouMedia Teen space for teens to hang out and learn software and apps with the help of mentors. Additionally, the Driving Park branch serves as a community hub, offering free meeting spaces for community organizations; high-speed internet for job-seekers; free afterschool snacks for youth; social service partnerships to help families address pressing needs, and more. The focus on youth and family services at Driving Park means children, teens, and caregivers often arrive at the branch by bike or on foot, making traffic safety a top priority.

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CEO



Community Development for All People

946 Parsons Avenue, Columbus, OH 43206-2346

September 9, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

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Michael Premo
Executive Director

COMMUNITY
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September 9, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Community Housing Network, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

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Sincerely,



Samantha Shuler
Chief Executive Officer



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September 12, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Homeport, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

Homeport is a mission driven, non-profit housing organization. We have been serving the Central Ohio community for 35 years providing affordable housing and homeowner services. Walkability and safety are key components of creating healthy living environments and improved roads and sidewalks provide access to employment, education, and recreation. The Livingston Avenue corridor is a key transportation hub for many of our residents.

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Sincerely,

Leah F. Evans
President and CEO



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Timothy C. Robinson, Chief Executive Officer

September 8, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Nationwide Children's Hospital, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

Nationwide Children's Hospital is one of America's largest not-for-profit free-standing pediatric health care systems providing unique expertise in pediatric population health, behavioral health, genomics and health equity as the next frontiers in pediatric medicine, leading to best outcomes for the health of the whole child. Integrated clinical and research programs, as well as prioritizing quality and safety, are part of what allows Nationwide Children's to advance its unique model of care. Nationwide Children's has a staff of more than 13,000 that provides state-of-the-art wellness, preventive and rehabilitative care, and diagnostic treatment during more than 1.6 million patient visits annually.

To produce the best health outcomes for all children, it is critical to support continued development of a healthy environment. Partnering with neighborhood and community stakeholders, Nationwide Children's Hospital works to support overall neighborhood experience for residents. Our Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families program, composed of faith-based organizations, community development organizations, workforce development programs, youth-serving nonprofits and local public schools, seeks to create positive health outcomes in the community. By meeting children where they are – at home, school, or in the community – we are able to break down barriers to improve children's health and wellbeing.

The SS4A grant will reinforce and complement our Healthy Neighborhoods Healthy Families work by building a safer community for our children and families. Improved roads and transportation planning in our neighborhoods means safer walks to school, improved access to employment opportunities, and continued progress towards health equity in our community. The City of Columbus is an invaluable partner in our continued success in the community and the SS4A grant will expand upon our mission to deliver the best outcomes for all children.

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Nationwide Children's Hospital urges your consideration of the application.

Sincerely,



Tim Robinson, CEO
Nationwide Children's Hospital

September 13, 2022

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Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Ohio Business Development Center, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

The Ohio Business Development Center (OBDC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide professional assistance and guidance to small businesses across the State of Ohio. OBDC has a network of professionals in the areas of legal, accounting, MBE/WBE/DBE certification, marketing, and general business consulting. OBDC develops and coordinates programming such as webinars, workshops, seminars, and professional consultations to provide economic opportunities to minority-owned businesses.

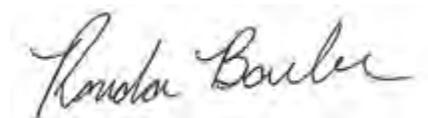
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Ronda Watson Barber
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September 09, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
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Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

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Rise Together Innovation Center (RISE) is a capstone of a larger, Franklin county-funded strategic plan to help an estimated 400,000-plus county residents find paths toward economic stability. Nationally recognized studies draw a direct correlation between transit, infrastructure and economic mobility. RISE believes that projects like Livingston Ave. are the building blocks of increased access for historically marginalized neighborhoods and communities.

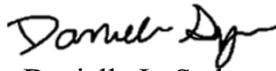
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Danielle L. Sydnor
CEO, RISE

Friday, September 9, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of South Side Thrive Collaborative, I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

South Side Thrive Collaborative is a place-based, collective impact initiative with a mission to support residents in the South Side of Columbus, Ohio in achieving health equity by increasing family stability and reducing poverty. To achieve our mission, we convene a network of 40+ health and human service organizations, businesses, and community-based groups to enhance communication, collaboration, and service coordination. Critical to achieving our mission is improving the South Side community conditions to improve residents' health and quality of life. Improvements along the Livingston Avenue corridor are much needed. Key corridor projects such as the Livingston Avenue corridor

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Sarah Lenkay

Sarah Lenkay
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Jennifer A. Adair
Columbus Board of Education
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Talisa L. Dixon, Ed.D.
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Talisa L. Dixon, Ed.D.
Superintendent/CEO



September 8, 2022

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Secretary of Transportation
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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

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ACEC Ohio is made up of 145 engineering firms, located all over the state of Ohio, many of which are engaged in the design of our public water and wastewater systems, bridges, highways, building structures and systems and environmental projects.

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Beth Easterday
President



September 13, 2022

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1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Building Industry Association of Central Ohio (BIA), I am writing this letter to express our strong support for the City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All (SS4A) application. This project is seeking \$12 million in federal funding to match the \$12 million in local funds committed to improving Livingston Avenue, from 18th Street to Nelson Road.

By way of background, for nearly than 80 years, the BIA has represented the residential construction industry in central Ohio and the thousands of employees who help build our community.

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Jon Melchi

Executive Director

BIA of Central Ohio

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September 13, 2022

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Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
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Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

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The mission of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) is to shape the future of the built environment for transformative impact in communities worldwide. ULI Columbus was founded in 2008 to carry forth that mission by convening real estate and land use disciplines and sectors to foster collaboration, share knowledge, and imagine a better built environment with our over 300 members here in central Ohio. With over 300 members in central Ohio, ULI serves as a think tank to help tackle some of the challenges that face communities today through our research and initiatives, such as ULI's Building Healthy Places initiative—an initiative focused on creating communities where everyone thrives. City of Columbus' Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All is a direct complement to this research as safe and complete streets are a key part of "Putting People First" in the Ten Principles for Building Healthy Places.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Alicia Gaston'.

Alicia Gaston
Executive Director
ULI Columbus



September 13, 2022

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Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Support for the Livingston Avenue Safe Streets for All Application

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1200 East Livingston Avenue
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Lee McConkey
668 Oakwood Ave
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