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The Honorable Anthony Foxx, Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Letter of Support
TIGER Grant Application for Washington Street Rehabilitation
Hoboken, New Jersey

Dear Secretary Foxx:

On behalf of the New Jersey Department of Transportation, I would extend my full support and endorsement to the City of Hoboken's TIGER grant application to rehabilitate, resurface and revitalize Washington Street.

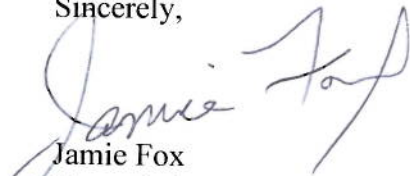
The City of Hoboken deserves tremendous credit for preparing a redesign plan for Washington Street to make the roadway into a "complete street". Through its plan, the City of Hoboken has embraced all of the recommended policies and best planning practices promoted by both the N.J. Department of Transportation (NJDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

As the most transit dependent and walkable city in America, Hoboken's proposal will make the roadway safer and more accommodating to pedestrians, bicyclists, buses, truck deliveries and motorists alike. In addition, the City of Hoboken is employing a "fix it first" strategy to keep the roadway in a state of good repair. Washington Street is Hoboken's "Main Street" and central business district and the project will enhance Hoboken's economic competitiveness. The project will promote environmental sustainability through the implementation of green infrastructure to capture storm water run-off to reduce non-point source (NPS) pollution and combined sewer overflow (CSO) events.

Finally, Washington Street's infrastructure is extremely antiquated and in need of major repair and rehabilitation. If funded, the project will improve the quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

Hoboken's Washington Street project is transformative and catalytic for a community heavily impacted by Superstorm Sandy. I strongly support Hoboken's application and highly recommend that the USDOT favorably consider Hoboken's TIGER grant application.

Sincerely,



Jamie Fox
Commissioner