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Secretary Peter Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
9th Floor West Building
Washington D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

It is my pleasure to support the city of McAlester, Oklahoma in their application for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant.

The City of McAlester is a unit of local government in Southeastern Oklahoma serving a rural population of 18,171 people. Electric Avenue is a major road off Highway 69. It is frequently used by many forms of motor transportation and is surrounded by several residents' homes, many of whom experience persistent poverty and are currently underserved by affordable transportation.

If awarded, these funds would be used to rebuild a vast portion of Electric Avenue, to maintain adequate freight and commuter transportation. As well as introduce bicycle lanes and sidewalks to increase access to goods, job opportunities, and improve the overall quality of life for the lower income areas. The RAISE grant funding would greatly improve sustainability by reducing emissions and redeveloping an existing infrastructure plan.

I fully support local projects here in Oklahoma that invest in needed infrastructure for rural Oklahomans. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our Claremore office at (918) 283-6262. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Markwayne Mullin
Member of Congress