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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
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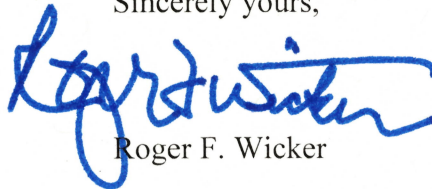
Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I would like to express my support for the Mississippi Department of Transportation's application for a Bridge Investment Program Grant, focusing along multiple rural corridors, particularly the bridges in Stone, Harrison, and Perry Counties. This program will modernize and enhance infrastructure, bolstering the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges, thereby improving the overall condition of bridges in Mississippi. Investing in bridge infrastructure is crucial for maintaining the integrity of our transportation networks and ensuring the safety of all who utilize them.

The proposed improvements in southern Mississippi offer a chance to tackle essential infrastructure challenges and lay the groundwork for a more resilient and sustainable future. I hope that you will give the Mississippi Department of Transportation's application every consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide additional information.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



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