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March 17, 2021

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

RE: Yolo County Transportation District's FY21 INFRA Grant Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I write in strong support of the Yolo County Transportation District and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 3's application for the Interstate 80 corridor improvement project. The proposed project is a partnership between Caltrans, local cities, counties, and regional agencies.

The I-80 corridor improvement project area is the primary roadway connecting the Bay Area to Sacramento and an important route for regional commuter and freight traffic currently experiencing heavy congestion. If approved, federal grant funding for the proposed project will significantly reduce congestion on the freeway by utilizing an innovative managed lanes approach. The project will also directly benefit the critical east-west movement of goods in northern California from the Port of Oakland and San Francisco Bay Area to the Port of West Sacramento and greater Sacramento region. Specifically, the proposed project includes constructing 17 center lane miles of new managed lanes, new pedestrian and bicycle facility improvements, and intelligent transportation system elements such as ramp meters and changeable message signs.

I urge you to approve this INFRA grant program application. Thank you for considering my views in support of this Yolo County Transportation District and Caltrans District 3 project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Garamendi". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Garamendi" clearly distinguishable.

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress