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Anthony Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
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Dear Mr. Foxx:

As U.S. Representative for Mississippi's Second Congressional District, it is with great pleasure that I support the nomination of the Copiah County Roadway Improvement Initiative for the 2018 BUILD Grant.

I understand their improvement initiatives will radically improve motor vehicle transportation reliability and safety in an economically disadvantaged rural region. The goal of the initiative is to create a safe and dependable network of "safe-route-to-schools and "basic needs facilities". The roads and streets will allow the accomplishment of two major transportation goals: (1) create a fully connected and safe county transportation system that allows direct movement of citizens and goods from rural areas to local economic points of interest; and (2) provide safe routes to local K-12 schools and local Community Camps.

As always, I encourage and appreciate your consideration of the Copiah County Roadway Improvement Initiative as a recipient of the 2018 BUILD Grant.

Sincerely,

Bennie G. Thompson
Member of Congress