

May 1, 2020

The Honorable Elaine L. Chao  
Office of the Secretary of Transportation  
US Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

RE: BUILD Grant Application – Highway 14 Corridor Project

Dear Secretary Chao:


I am submitting this letter to show our support of the BUILD Transportation Grant application that the City of Marshalltown is submitting to make improves to Highway 14 Corridor.

The Highway 14 Corridor serves as one of the primary gateways into the City of Marshalltown. This major arterial roadway provides a key connection to the City's growing and thriving downtown and runs directly through the heart of the community. We think this project would be a way to make it safer for the residents, employees, and visitors by providing the appropriate driving lanes and sidewalks. We also value the beautification aspects that this project will bring to the City of Marshalltown. There will be significant economic development opportunities that this project would bring by encouraging businesses to open in the City and encouraging individuals to stop at the City businesses when they are passing through.

As the City of Marshalltown continues to recover from the tornado in 2018 and works to grow the community, we are proud to partner with them in any way possible. At the Marshalltown Chamber of Commerce, we look forward to seeing this project through and support the City's application submission.

If you have questions, please contact me at 641-753-6645 or via email at [lolberding@marshalltown.org](mailto:lolberding@marshalltown.org).

Sincerely,



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