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The Honorable Elaine L. Chao
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave. SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Madam Secretary:

As a member of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee, I'm writing today to request that you grant financial support to the first stage of US Route 30 improvement eastward from Canton, Ohio, to our eastern border.

The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce supports the TIGER grant application submitted by Stark, Carroll and Columbiana counties in Northeast Ohio. These three counties have created a Regional Transportation Improvement Project under Ohio law with the goal of finally completing the improvement of U.S. Route 30 to the eastern edge of Ohio. Much of U.S. Route 30 is a four-lane commercial highway from Chicago to Canton, Ohio. However, it is only two lanes for the remaining 32 miles that reach the Pittsburgh market. Economic development will be enhanced by upgrading these final 32 miles from two to four lanes.

Again, please consider supporting this first stage of Route 30 improvement eastward from Canton to the Ohio state line.

Thank you for what you do each day to maintain, improve, and modernize the transportation system in the United States.

Respectfully yours,

Steve

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