



State Representative Kirk Schuring
Speaker Pro Tempore
District 48

October 16, 2017

The Honorable Elaine Chao
Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Chao,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Tiger Grant that will assist in extending US Route 30 in Stark County from the Trump route interchange to State Route 44.

This project is vitally important to Stark County and our region of the State. The extension of US Route 30 will open a whole new corridor for economic development at a time that our county and state need an economic boost. It also will allow truck traffic to bypass East Canton, therefore avoiding unnecessary congestion and undue delays. Additionally, the extension will reduce the current high accident rate caused by the traffic volume on the unimproved portion of US 30 that this project will replace. Moreover, the project will be the first phase of additional extensions to US Route 30 under the Regional Transportation Improvement Project between Carroll, Columbiana, and Stark counties, and the Ohio Department of Transportation. These additional phases will create an economic corridor that will be a huge benefit to the rural and urban areas in the region.

It is for the aforementioned reasons that I respectfully request that you please give your utmost consideration to the Tiger Grant request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kirk Schuring". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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