Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-1806

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Chairman Peter DeFazio Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515 Ranking Member Sam Graves Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 2164 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 2055

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I write to request funding for the Audubon Avenue Overlay project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is the City of Thibodaux and funding is designated for an asphalt overlay of a 1.4 mile stretch of Audubon Avenue in Thibodaux, Louisiana between LA-1 and the Terrebonne Parish line.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it will improve infrastructure on a roadway which provides access to Thibodaux Regional Medical Center, which annually sees 45,000 emergency room visits, 150,000 outpatient visits, and 250,000 physician clinic visits. Additionally, the roadway is the main artery into the campus of Nicholls State University, serving the university's 6,000 students and 700 staff members, in addition to the Thibodaux community at large.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Garret Graves V

Member of Congress