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Anthony R. Foxx Secretary of Transportation U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, DC 20590

Re: Village of Glenview, Illinois TIGER Grant Application

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I write to express my strong support for the Village of Glenview's recent TIGER Grant application. If awarded, these TIGER Grant funds would be used to revitalize downtown Glenview, Illinois. The Village's multifaceted proposal includes efforts to reduce congestion, supplement commuter and consumer parking in the downtown area, and establish multi-modal bicycle and pedestrian connections to points of interest throughout the community including existing trails, schools, parks, and the Glenview Public Library.

Glenview Road, a major piece of this revitalization effort, is a Federal Aid Urban (FAU) designated route that is critical to the economic vitality of the region. This road has previously been approved for other federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds to complete maintenance-related efforts including resurfacing and streetscape improvements. The approval of TIGER Grant funding for revitalization will allow the Village of Glenview to complete the full vision of the downtown area as approved in the Downtown and Bike and Sidewalk Master Plans. I believe that funds awarded via a TIGER Grant would be a smart local investment resulting in a transformative effect on this important suburb.

In keeping with your existing rules and regulations, I urge you to give the Village of Glenview's request full and fair consideration. If I can be of further reference or assistance to you in this matter, please contact Mr. Andrew Goczkowski, the Grants Coordinator on my staff. He can be reached at (847)328-3409 or via email at Andrew.Goczkowski@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

Jan Schakowsky Member of Congress

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