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Secretary Peter Paul Montgomery Buttigieg  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

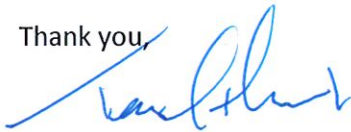
Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am writing as a representative of numerous property owners within the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project area to communicate my strong support for the City of Salem's RAISE grant application. McGilchrist Street is not only a main thoroughfare connecting east and Central Salem, but it is also a hub of essential services to citizens of Salem. This investment into the existing street will provide necessary improvements to accommodate the growth that has already occurred and allow for future redevelopment of the corridor.

McGilchrist Street as-is is not sustainable to support the projected economic development over the next five years. McGilchrist Street lacks sufficient width to safely accommodate current traffic volumes, freight movement, pedestrian maneuverability and storm water drainage. The *McGilchrist Complete Street* project will allow the projected growth of the area to support future economic development.

I strongly support the RAISE grant application. As a member of the community and commercial real estate broker for numerous McGilchrist Street property owners, I see this as a critical project to move the City of Salem forward.

Thank you,



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