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Secretary Peter Paul Montgomery Buttigieg
United States Department of Transportation
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Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

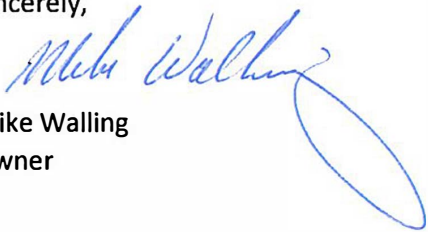
Walling Properties, LLC, is the owner of properties within the McGilchrist Street corridor. We have been made aware of the proposed RAISE grant program to improve the corridor through implementation of the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project. As an existing property owner and one who has an interest in continued and future redevelopment opportunities, the potential public investment into our existing transportation corridor will provide the necessary infrastructure improvements to accommodate future growth opportunities.

The primary obstacle to development in the McGilchrist area is the poor condition of McGilchrist Street which lacks sufficient width to safely accommodate current traffic volumes, freight movement, people walking and bicycling, and storm water drainage. Once constructed, the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project will allow use of the corridor to support economic development in a sustainable manner.

Mike Walling, of Walling Properties, LLC enthusiastically support the TIGER grant application for the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project as a critical component of our redevelopment effort.

We look forward to seeing the *McGilchrist Complete Street* project come to fruition and support the efforts of the City of Salem.

Sincerely,



Mike Walling
Owner