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June 13, 2018

The Honorable Elaine Chao Secretary U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast Washington, District of Columbia 20590

RE: Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization - DOT - ATCMTD

Dear Madam Secretary:

I am pleased to provide this letter in support of Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization's efforts to obtain the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Grant. The goal of their proposed initiative, Managing the Unexpected Everyday, is to provide traffic improvements to the downtown Fort Lauderdale area. I respectfully request your consideration of this organization's application for federal funding.

Fort Lauderdale is one of Broward County's largest employment areas and economic hubs. If funded, they seek to improve travel time reliability and safety for all users of the road. These additions will maximize existing transportation infrastructure for efficient movement, provide economic opportunities and provide enhanced quality of life, benefitting the region as a whole.

Again, I encourage your consideration of this worthy cause. If I can be of further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

Sincerely,

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CC: Ms. Willowstine Lawson, Regional Director, U. S. Senator Bill Nelson