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STATE REPRESENTATIVE

April 17, 2014

Honorable Anthony Foxx, Secretary  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx,

I am writing in support of the Crawford County Road Commission's efforts to secure TIGER grant funding for the North Down River Road Interchange project. I have been an advocate for this project in state government and have met with numerous stakeholders at the state and local level about the need for the project. I have been impressed by the support everyone has shown during the process and am encouraged by everyone's dedication to accomplish this goal.

The expansion of the North Down River Road Interchange at I-75 would provide a solution to transportation issues in the Grayling area. The proximity to Camp Grayling would solve access issues for the Michigan National Guard. This is not only a project with transportation and economic implications it is also a larger homeland security issue as it relates to Camp Grayling.

With the growth of Camp Grayling the Grayling community has continuously looked for the best possible solutions for the infrastructure needs in our area. The military traffic that is directed through the I-75 Business Loop is a constant challenge for road maintenance and our local economy. After years of research it has been determined that the proposed interchange at North Down River Road will best address the needs of Camp Grayling and the city of Grayling. The approval of TIGER grant funding is vital to the future of this project.

Please add my name to those who support the efforts to approve a TIGER grant for the Crawford County Road Commission to solve this important infrastructure need. Thank you for your time and consideration of the funding request for this project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 517-373-3817 or by e-mail at [brucerendon@house.mi.gov](mailto:brucerendon@house.mi.gov).

Respectfully in service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bruce R. Rendon".

Bruce R. Rendon  
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