



February 10, 2023

**The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590**

Re: Support for the City of Dyersville's "If You BUILD It ..." RAISE Grant Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I write on behalf of the Regional Planning Affiliation 8 (RPA 8) to convey our strong support for the City of Dyersville's federal discretionary grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). The City is focused on improving transportation systems that support the movement of goods in the region.

I would like to extend my support for the City of Dyersville's application for the RAISE Discretionary Grant (RAISE Grant). The City's proposed project, known as "If You BUILD It ...", is vital to the transportation connectivity and economy of not only the city but for the region.

Completing the "If You BUILD It ..." project – will ensure the safe, efficient movement of people and goods for decades to come and help the City to reduce reaction time for emergency systems.

I am pleased to support the City of Dyersville's RAISE Grant application for the "If You BUILD It ..." project. This project is important to the economic vitality of the region; it will improve the quality of life and allow the City to improve the condition of key infrastructures.

Sincerely,

Kelley Deutmeyer
ECIA Executive Director