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MATTHEW A. UNG SIOUX CITY December 17, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary, United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant for Siouxland Regional Transit System

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The Woodbury County Board of Supervisors would like to share our support for the Siouxland Regional Transit Services' (SRTS) application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for a 2025 RAISE Grant.

SRTS provides public transportation for people of all ages, including those who may require specialized transportation. SRTS offers a demand-response service including paratransit with direct pick-up and specific-destination delivery on clean, comfortable, ADA-accessible buses. SRTS serves five counties in Iowa, one in South Dakota, and one in Nebraska. SRTS is unique in that it serves a total of seven counties and covers a tristate region.

SRTS will use the grant to build a satellite location in Le Mars, Iowa, the system's next largest county. Plymouth County accounts for nearly 30 percent of SRTS ridership and the system will continue to expand there. The location will aid in vehicles being maintained, stored properly for volatile Midwest weather conditions, and will extend the useful life of the vehicles in a challenging supply market. This project will also expand the front office and provide offices and a conference room at the transit facility. SRTS will also add two electric buses and supporting infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration. Woodbury County supports the RAISE grant, and intends to work hand in hand with SRTS to see the project through to completion.

Sincerely,

Matthew Ung

Board Chairman, Woodbury County, Iowa