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To Whom It May Concern:

The Troy Pike Center For Technology wishes to extend its strong support for the TIGER Discretionary Grant to construct road improvements that will create an east-west corridor through Troy and connect U.S. 231 to George Wallace Drive. Our school has a particular interest in this project for a number of reasons. First of all, our school will help to train workers that will serve the new industry partner that will be relocating to our area. Because our school is located in the northeastern portion of the City, which is adjacent to the project, we would like to see roads constructed to allow for our students to be safely transported to and from our facility so that we can support the economic development of our area. This demand, combined with the anticipated growth and expansion of our City, makes it essential that both the education and business communities work harder than ever together to prepare our students for the 21st century workplace. This proposal to construct roads will provide a means to safely transport our young citizens as they train to meet our economic opportunities.

Students and existing industries in Troy and Pike County will benefit from the road improvements that are planned. These improvements will provide a better quality of life for students, their families and thousands of others in the region by providing roads that will move traffic faster through the city and will decrease congestion and shorten travel routes lessening the demand for fuel and reduce fuel emissions. These roads will reconfigure misaligned intersections, traffic rerouting, and road widening, which will provide safer roads for our students to travel on. Because of these benefits, and others, the Troy Pike Center For Technology is happy and pleased to provide its full support to this project and is committed to continuing support of this project in the future.

Sincerely,



Julie Simmons
Director