



January 27, 2026

Office of the Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Near Northwest Management District - FY2026 BUILD Support

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter of support for the Near Northwest Management District and the Alabonson Road Reconstruction Project. The Project is a transformative initiative that addresses critical needs for safety, accessibility, and economic vitality in the Near Northwest community of Houston, Texas. This project will reconstruct approximately two miles of Alabonson Road to provide a new concrete roadway, sidewalks, additional intersection capacity, improved community access, as well as stormwater and utility upgrades to meet modern design standards.

The benefits of the project align with the priorities of the BUILD program by improving safety, reducing congestion, and boosting quality of life for a historically underserved area. The community served by this project is within an Opportunity Zone, ensuring that federal investments directly uplift neighborhoods with economic hardships.

Beyond these technical benefits, the project has strong community support, as evidenced by its top ranking in public surveys conducted by the Near Northwest Management District. Residents have expressed a clear desire for safer streets and better connectivity, making this project a key response to local needs.

Funding through the BUILD program will enable the realization of this critical project and ensure it delivers long-term economic and social benefits to the Houston region.

Thank you for your consideration,

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