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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

August 9, 2019

Honorable Elaine L. Chao
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Chao:

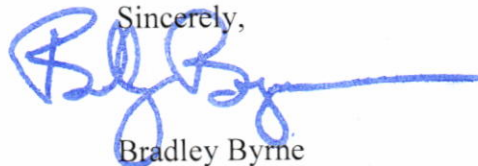
I would like to take this opportunity to offer my strong support for the City of Gulf Shores who is applying for funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation's *Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program*.

With funding provided through the BUILD program, the City of Gulf Shores will begin construction of the Gulf Shores Waterway Village Multimodal Access Project. This project will construct necessary vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian transportation infrastructure to create a walkable, mixed-use community and business district that will geographically diversify the economy of the Gulf Shores area. It will expand bicycle and pedestrian access throughout the Waterway Village District and across the Intercoastal Canal. Vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian access will connect State Highway 59 to the Jack Edwards Airport, Gulf Shores Business and Aviation Park, and county roads to the Foley Beach Express. These improvements will promote economic development, private investment, and job creation throughout Gulf Shores. Additionally, the project will improve public safety and community resilience by increasing regional connectivity during storm events or other natural disasters.

I respectfully request that you give the City of Gulf Shores application every consideration. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to let me know.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,



Bradley Byrne
Member of Congress

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