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The Honorable Michael Guest
United States House of Representatives
418 House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: **2022 Build Transportation Discretionary
Grant Application**

Dear Congressman Guest:

I am writing to convey my excitement and full support of Mississippi State University's application for three projects to be considered for the 2022 Surface Transportation Authorization as well as to formalize MSU's commitment to fund the required 20% cost-share in connection with the proposed projects:

Project	Federal Grant Dollars Requested	Non-Federal 20% Cost Share (MSU)	Estimated Total Project Costs
Artesia Road Extended	2,000,000	500,000	2,500,000
Hardy Road Extended	1,360,000	340,000	1,700,000
Bulldog Way Extended	<u>3,360,000</u>	<u>840,000</u>	<u>4,200,000</u>
	\$ 6,720,000	\$ 1,680,000	\$ 8,400,000

Each of these projects are part of our long-range transportation plan and will greatly enhance the community's connectivity to our campus at strategically key locations. MSU is committed to provide internal funds, which are currently held in University designated fund #259108, in the manner above to ensure completion of these tremendous projects.

We are so thankful for your ongoing support of Mississippi State University and appreciate your time and consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Keenum
President

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