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The Honorable Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of the Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Chao:

Our organization, the SSMID II (Self-Supporting Municipal Improvement District) for the downtown building owners support the City of Clinton's application for the BUILD Grant for Manufacturing Drive & Bluff Boulevard reconstruction.

We participated in our local planning session and it was such a positive meeting to see the cooperation and support of this project. The Downtown stakeholders and businesses see this opportunity to connect our downtown as Manufacture to Bluff will take you directly to the heart of our downtown. We have invested in bicycle lanes from downtown to Bluff and now with this project we can connect from Highway 30 to Manufacture/Bluff through the Downtown to the river front.

The benefits are more than just our Downtown, this project will support safety for school children, residents and overall traffic flow. The improvement to our flood controls, installation of high speed cable and will open doors to more businesses, housing and improved streets through-out the area.

We hope for your support for this significant transportation asset. This asset will benefit all of Clinton, especially we believe with regard to Downtown development and connectivity.

Sincerely,

Timothy Clark
President