



June 27, 2018

The Honorable Elaine L. Chao
Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Support for the City of Clinton's Drive to Prosperity: Manufacturing Drive/Bluff Boulevard Reconstruction BUILD Grant Application

Dear Secretary Chao:

I would like to extend my support to the City of Clinton's application for the BUILD Discretionary Grant (BUILD Grant). The City's proposed project, known as the Drive to Prosperity: Manufacturing Drive/Bluff Boulevard Reconstruction, is vital to the transportation connectivity and economy of not only the city but of the entire East Central Iowa region.

Completing the Manufacturing Drive and Bluff Boulevard reconstruction project – a total reconstruction and enhancement of the alignment from US Route 30 to 7th Avenue North – will ensure the safe, efficient movement of people and goods for decades to come.

I am pleased to support the City of Clinton's BUILD Grant application for the Drive to Prosperity: Manufacturing Drive/Bluff Boulevard Reconstruction. This project is important to the economic vitality of the region; it will improve the quality of life and allow the City to improve the condition of key infrastructure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kelley Deutmeyer", is written over a light blue background.

Kelley Deutmeyer
ECIA Executive Director