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The Honorable Sean Duffy
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Letter of Support – Wyandotte County Catalyst Safety Improvements Projects
2026 SS4A Implementation Grant Request

Dear Secretary Duffy,

On behalf of the City of Lake Quivira, Kansas, I am pleased to submit this letter of support for the Unified Government of Kansas City, Kansas' (UG's) application for a grant to help fund the Wyandotte County Catalyst Safety Improvements Projects under the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Implementation Grant program.

Wyandotte County is facing the challenge of increasing traffic crashes resulting in deaths and serious injuries. Between 2014 and 2023, 215 crashes were fatal and 802 resulted in serious injuries in Wyandotte County— that is, more than 1,000 fatal or serious injury crashes occurred during that time. The UG's **Vision Zero Action Plan (VZAP)** identified a series of "catalyst projects" that make critical infrastructure improvements at five locations throughout Wyandotte County where safety concerns and crashes have historically been prevalent. These projects were prioritized by the plan's Steering Committee featuring key stakeholders from across the County, including our partner cities of Bonner Springs and Edwardsville.

The proposed improvements are consistent with the SS4A program's goals and grant criteria. The implementation of these projects will provide benefits to residents and visitors including:

Enhanced Safety: By upgrading these roadway segments and intersections, the project will significantly reduce the risk of crashes resulting in fatalities and injuries. Safety is the UG's top transportation priority, as identified in its comprehensive plan and through the VZAP.


Economic Impact: Reducing the incidence of crashes and safety hazards will lower emergency response costs and preserve economic productivity within the county. Additionally, the projects focus on low-cost, high-impact interventions so that funding resources are used efficiently.

Support for All Road Users: Upgraded infrastructure will better support various roadway users, including motor vehicles, pedestrians, bicyclists, and off-highway vehicles, promoting a transportation network that right sizes the UG's infrastructure.

Support and funding are crucial in helping Wyandotte County advance these necessary improvements. We are confident that the successful completion of these projects will serve as a vital step towards a safer and more secure transportation environment for our community.

Thank you for your consideration and approval of this application.

Sincerely,

Kathy Bounds 
City Administrator
City of Lake Quivira, Kansas