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The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590-0001

Dear Secretary Foxx,

I write in support of the application submitted by the City of Yonkers for funding from the TIGER Grant Program through the U.S. Department of Transportation. This funding will help Yonkers construct the Glenwood Power Plant Road Network.

The City of Yonkers is located just north of New York City and has a population of over 200,000 people. Situated on the Hudson River is the abandoned Glenwood Power Plant, which is a massive 1906 structure that once revolutionized rail travel by electrifying New York Central Railroad's Hudson Line. The revitalization of this property is now being envisioned as a transformative project for the region. This transformative redevelopment project consists of a series of road, bridge and esplanade improvements centered on the adaptive re-use of the former Glenwood Power Plant.

The requested funding will be used to create a series of vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle improvements that will connect the isolated Glenwood Power Plant to the transportation network. This work includes creating new roads, improving the existing roads and bridge over the rail tracks and creating Hudson River esplanades and connections to the regional trail network. Additionally, 270,000 square feet of interior space will be redeveloped into exhibition space with hotel space, restaurants and cultural programming. This project will serve as a multi-faceted catalyst for economic growth creating approximately 1,500 construction jobs and approximately 700 operations jobs in numerous sectors including production, food, hospitality, retail, service and management.

I ask that you please give this application your full consideration. If you have any questions, or desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact my staff member Andrew Usyk at (202) 224-4451.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator