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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The Chickasaw Nation is pleased to offer this letter in support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for a Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant to assist with the Priority Improvements for the I-35 Corridor. The proposed improvements to Priority Improvements for the I-35 Corridor are both necessary and urgent to provide for motorist safety, better facilitate traffic and improve freight movement and to meet the strategic goals of both ODOT and the region.

The Chickasaw Nation supports the Priority Improvements for the I-35 Corridor for its vital contribution to the region, state and nation. The proposed project supports a network that is critical to Oklahoma's economy and freight movement. We strongly urge your support of full funding for the project.

Thank you for your consideration of our support of this important project. Please contact Mr. Neal McCaleb, ambassador at large for the Chickasaw Nation, at (405) 740-3533 or neal.mccaleb@chickasaw.net with any questions.

Sincerely,

Bill Anoatubby
Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation