Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515–2207

April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the South Street Reconstruction Project in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Jackson County and the project is located at South Street, Jackson County, MI 49201.

The funding that is designated for the project would reconstruct the road and repair the base of South Street, which currently has a PASER rating of 2. Since this road is in such poor condition, other preventive maintenance projects are not practical.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits:

- The reconstruction would make the entire South Street an All Seasons route which would allow for the removal of seasonal weight restrictions.
- The reconstruction would improve the economic connectivity of the county and add four-foot shoulders to the road to be used as bicycle lanes.
- The reconstructing would make South Street more resistant to freeze and thaw cycles, provide a better user experience through better maintenance and smoother rides, virtually eliminate pothole patching on South Street, and decrease reconstruction cycles every 20-25 years.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Tim Walberg
Member of Congress
4/27/2021