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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: 2023 USDOT PROTECT Grant Application — East Aldine Management District Planning Grant

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am pleased to submit this letter of support for the East Aldine Management District's application to the 2023 United States Department of Transportation Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Grant discretionary grant program.

The grant will allow the East Aldine Management District to develop several transportation projects critical for improving the area's connectivity to major evacuation routes, community services, and key destinations. This effort will improve key mobility infrastructure necessary to address flood resiliency and community resiliency in an area with many unmet needs, including a lack of basic services (water, sewer, roads, police, emergency services).

The plan will involve development of specific recommendations and multimodal mobility projects to address major resiliency issues facing the area as a result of natural hazards. The plan will include public engagement and coordination with relevant stakeholders. The outcome will result in better opportunities for the community, including local residents, businesses, and property owners within the study area.

We hope the USDOT agrees that this project is essential to the East Aldine community, and with USDOT's support, the District will be able to create a more resilient area and transportation network.

Thank you for your consideration of this important funding request.

Sincerely,

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