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

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

As the City Administrator for the City of Bolivar, I fully pledge my support for the FIX I-44 transportation project that will make improvements at the intersection of Interstate 44 and North Kansas Expressway (Missouri Highway 13) in Springfield.

As a primary gateway into Springfield from the north, this is definitely an important intersection to Bolivar and Polk County. Bolivar is conveniently located a short 30-minute drive from Springfield, and we serve as a potential choice for companies looking to expand or relocate. The city can boast of its family-friendly atmosphere, great quality of living, and close proximity to two beautiful lakes, a private university and excellent healthcare systems.

In addition to improving current traffic flow concerns, the improvements to the said intersection would open up additional opportunities for Bolivar to grow and attract the high-paying jobs that it takes to improve the overall well-being of its residents. I would be glad to support this project.

Feel free to contact me.

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