Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the construction of an interchange at the nexus of NJ Route 55 and Route 47 in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Cumberland County and the project is located on Route 55 in Millville, NJ, 08332.

The funding is designated for the design and construction of a bypass road, an expansion of the deceleration lane on Exit 27, and signal improvement on Route 47.

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

- Mitigates safety concerns at an intersection that consistently has the highest rate of accidents in the county and improves safety at an adjacent middle school.
- Diverts traffic from the overcapacity state highway.
- Promotes economic growth by opening access to a large parcel of commercial property.

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

Sincerely,

Jefferson Van Drew

April 23, 2021