

December 11, 2024

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

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of RTA, the voice of the regional business community on transportation in North Carolina's Research Triangle area, I am writing to express our support for the Wake Forest S-Line Mobility Hub application for the Department of Transportation's Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Program for 2025. This grant is being submitted by the Town of Wake Forest in partnership with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT).

Construction of the Wake Forest S-Line Mobility Hub ("Mobility Hub") will serve to advance regional multimodal transportation along the S-Line Rail Corridor – adding opportunities for local connections to goods and services, supporting sustainable transportation, improving economic mobility in historically disadvantaged communities, and spurring economic growth.

This effort builds from the previously awarded RAISE grant for feasibility study, NEPA, and preliminary engineering of the Wake Forest Mobility Hub site. This will be the first mobility hub on the corridor.

The S-Line corridor will help shape the future of the region. The Mobility Hub will be an essential element in the reinvigoration, quality of life, growth, and overall vibrancy in our communities.

I respectfully urge your full consideration of the Wake Forest S-Line Mobility Hub grant application. Please contact me at 919.664.7065 or joe@letsgetmoving.org with questions.

Sincerely,



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