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Marc Hansen Mid-America Regional Council 600 Broadway, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64105

Dear Mr. Hansen:

This letter is to support the City of Independence's application for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds for the Truman Connected project, Phase 2.

The Missouri Department of Transportation fully supports the City of Independence's STBG application for these improvements at various locations along US 40. This corridor serves over 20,000 vehicles per day and are experiencing a growing need for bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Implementing a Complete Streets concept will help provide safe travel for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians, in addition to attracting new development and improving overall quality of life for the residents of Independence. This project builds on to the improvements previously approved for STP funds.

Sincerely,

Matthew Killion, P.E. Area Engineer

