June 11, 2013

The Honorable Raymond H. LaHood
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: University of Washington Burke-Gilman Trail Multi-Modal Connector TIGER V Application

Dear Secretary LaHood:

The Martin Luther King, Jr. County Labor Council (MLKCLC) is pleased to write in support of the University of Washington’s TIGER V application for the Burke-Gilman Trail multi-modal connector project.

As the central body of labor organizations in King County, Washington, we support infrastructure growth, specifically growth that will benefit our workers throughout the region. Replacing this portion of the regional Burke-Gilman trail will allow for the improved movement of people and goods in the very congested area around the University, benefiting quality of life and commute reliability.

MLKCLC is affiliated with the national AFL-CIO. There are over 125 organizations affiliated with the MLKCLC, and more than 75,000 working men and women belong to Council-affiliated organizations. Not only does the MLKCLC support labor organizations, but we act as a voice for the interests and needs of the working people in King County, WA. In this capacity, we strongly urge your consideration and support for this important regional request.

Sincerely,

David Freiboth
Executive Secretary