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Representative Dennis Moore  
1727 Longworth House Office building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: City of Lawrence's appropriations request for extending 31<sup>st</sup> Street

Dear Representative Moore:

I am writing to express Douglas County's support for the City of Lawrence's appropriation request for construction of 31<sup>st</sup> Street from Haskell Avenue to O'Connell Road. This project is critical for improving east-west transportation in the Lawrence vicinity.

The City of Lawrence and Douglas County have partnered on studies to determine the need, typical section, and route alignment of an extension of 31<sup>st</sup> Street from Haskell Avenue east to (eventually) Douglas County Route 1057. The studies clearly indicate the need for extending 31<sup>st</sup> Street. The Haskell Avenue to O'Connell Road segment is the first, vital link in the extension of 31<sup>st</sup> Street. The proposed 31<sup>st</sup> Street extension is consistent with planned road and highway improvements south and east of Lawrence. It is included in the long range transportation plan for Lawrence and Douglas County.

Thank you for your consideration of this worthy project.

Sincerely,

G. Craig Weinaug