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Anthony Fox, Secretary of Transportation  
US Department of Transportation  
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Dear Secretary Fox:

Please note my wholehearted support for the request submitted by the City of Springfield and the Oregon Department of Transportation for a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER 7) grant. TIGER 7 funds will be used to improve Franklin Boulevard in the Glenwood area between Springfield and Eugene.

Glenwood has the potential to be a thriving economic engine for the metropolitan area, but Franklin Boulevard currently lacks sidewalks, bike lanes, and a functional storm water system. Significant upgrades to address these deficiencies and to provide multi-model travel options will be a catalyst for commercial and residential redevelopment along this now unattractive corridor.

In addition, the project will create a multiway boulevard. This innovative concept allows convenient movement of through traffic, easy access to adjacent businesses, and a safe and convenient pedestrian and bicycle environment.

Please give this request for TIGER 7 funds full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,

PETER DeFAZIO  
Member of Congress

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