

Dear Representative/Senator;

The year 2019 is proving to be one with many challenges. I feel strongly that it is also a year that offers many opportunities. I am writing you regarding the need to pass a transportation infrastructure funding bill that is comprehensive and importantly, sustainable.

As you are aware, Illinois is the transportation hub for the country. Our transportation network includes the 3rd largest highway and bridge network in the United States; the RTA is one of the largest public transportation networks in the country; our airports are world class with O'Hare, Midway, and our downstate regional airports; our rail network moves goods and supplies via the major railroad companies throughout our country and to the world; and our waterways systems transport and receive goods that are vital to Illinois and the US economy. We have much to be proud of, yet we are behind the curve. We have not provided essential funding for our crumbling highway and bridge and transit systems for almost 10 years.

Our company (**insert your company name here**) partners with the Illinois Department of Transportation every day with the construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of our critical yet crumbling roads and bridges. Our number one goal is to help provide a safe and economical highway network to move our families, as well as goods and services, throughout Illinois and the country. We employ hundreds of men and women with good paying jobs with the work we do on our transportation system. But, today, we need your help. We need you to support additional revenues to maintain the critical role Illinois transportation plays in our own state-wide economy and for the national economic well-being. Illinois has not provided additional funding for transportation for almost a decade and the time is now, during this Spring's legislative session. I urge you in the strongest terms to support transportation funding that is responsible, reliable and sustainable.

Sincerely,

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Title

My Company