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The Honorable Anthony Foxx  
Secretary of Transportation  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I write to enthusiastically support the application of the Puerto Rico Infrastructure Financing Authority for the Science City Urban Infrastructure Project (the “Project”). The Project consists of the construction of the two main roadways and the supporting infrastructure necessary for the development of one of my Administration’s flagship initiatives, the Science City.

The Science District is a 2,000 acre development located between Puerto Rico’s foremost research and medical institutions: the University of Puerto Rico (“UPR”) and the Puerto Rico Medical Center (the “Medical Center”). The Science District comprises state-of-the-art facilities for research and development as well as technology commercialization, which already includes a molecular sciences laboratory and a comprehensive cancer center. The Biomolecular Sciences Laboratory is a 90,000 square feet research facility dedicated to fields such as nanotechnology, cellular biology and neuroscience. Furthermore, the UPR Comprehensive Cancer Center, which is being developed in partnership with the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, will perform cancer studies focused on the underserved Hispanic population.

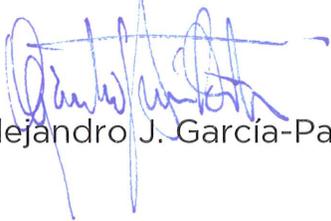
The Project will link all of these assets through an intermodal transportation grid that includes access to pedestrian and bicycle pathways, bus routes and the metro rail system. The Project also includes a four lane bridge over PR-18, a major highway, which will enhance connectivity and lay the groundwork for additional development between the Medical Center Campus and the Science City Project.

As you know, Puerto Rico has been building on its current pharmaceutical and medical devices industrial base to usher opportunities in new growth areas like aerospace and the life sciences. The Project will provide the infrastructure for a cityscape where Puerto Rico's economy can thrive.

Thank you for considering the Project and for your continued support for Puerto Rico.

Very truly yours,

The Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,



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