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The Honorable Amitabha Bose
Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration
West Building – 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Letter of Support 2022 FRA Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program CR-52 in the City of Pelham, AL

Dear Administrator Bose:

CSX is pleased to support The City of Pelham on a critical, transformative and safety-enhancing project which seeks to eliminate two heavily traveled at-grade crossings and construct a grade separation over a high density rail corridor. This is mainline corridor sees over 27 trains per day traveling up to 45 MPH over CSX's Gulf Zone and each of the crossings is traversed by nearly 15,000 vehicles per day. The elimination of these at grade crossings improves overall safety and efficiency for both the railroad and the motoring public. Further, CSX agrees to participate in the project's funding in keeping with the FHWA guidelines under CFR Section 646.210.

The crossings this projects seeks to permanently close are County Road 52, #352255T and #639539V, in Pelham, Shelby County, AL, near Highway 31. The project seeks to construct an overpass, providing unimpeded access for emergency vehicles, the public and better connectivity to businesses located on this corridor.

CSX shares the Federal Railroad Administration's commitment to safety, as well as minimizing the railroad operational impact on the communities it serves. As such, we applaud the mission of this grant program and are committed to supporting Pelham, AL and it's consultants through this project.

Sincerely,

Tom Livingston
VP Government Affairs

Tony Bellamy
Director Public Projects

Cc: The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary - U.S. Department of Transportation