

April 6, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary U.S. Dept of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: Ada County (Idaho) Highway District RAISE application

Dear Mr. Secretary,

On behalf of the more than 600 member firms of the Idaho Associated General Contractors (AGC), I write in strong support of the request for grant funding submitted by the Ada County Highway District (ACHD). ACHD would utilize funding from the Department's RAISE program to further develop and design its Access to Opportunity Project.

All of us here at the Idaho AGC applaud ACHD's ongoing efforts to advance the proposed project and recognize the positive impact it will have on a historically disadvantaged community. The project will provide the community with connectivity and access to jobs, education, health care, parks and recreation, and other essential service.

Idaho AGC members stand ready to help construct the facilities necessary to complete this important work once funding is identified. We and our member firms have a long history of collaboration with ACHD and believe them to be a sound trustee of public funds.

We strongly support this project and are excited to participate in the planning process and construction phase of this important work.

Sincerely,

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