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

Re: Support for the Ada County Highway District Access to Opportunity Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

Saint Alphonsus Heath System is pleased to write in support of Ada County Highway District's (ACHD) request for grant funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation R.A.I.S.E. program to further develop and design the Access to Opportunity Project. We applaud ACHD's 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, food, shopping, parks and recreation, education, health care, transit and overall access to opportunity that has not existed.

Saint Alphonsus Health System houses the Regional Trauma Center for this surrounding area. Safety, commitment to the community and particularly the poor-underserve areas of our communities is part of our core values. Access is a critical component in addressing Social Influencers of Health (SIOH).

We strongly support this project and are excited to participate in the planning process with ACHD.

Sincerely,

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