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

RE: Letter of Support – *Reconnecting Communities*

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Neighborhood House, I write in support of Salt Lake City's initiative to address east-west connections across the I-15 and north-south rail corridors, particularly for people walking, biking, and taking transit.

Neighborhood House is a non-profit serving families on the west side of Salt Lake City. Since 1894, Neighborhood House has served Utah's most diverse and economically depressed community. Our mission is to enrich, empower, and educate children and adults through quality affordable day care and support services. Despite studies showing that reliable and affordable transportation impacts education and stable employment, both keys to advancement for families striving to escape poverty, safe high-quality and financially accessible transportation connecting the east and west neighborhoods of Salt Lake City remain out of reach.

I support Salt Lake City's grant application to the *Reconnecting Communities* program to conduct a comprehensive planning project to make improvements to multiple east-west crossings between 600 North and 2100 South. This work will improve our community.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Nuttall
Executive Director of Neighborhood House