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The Honorable Jon Koznick  
Co-Chair, Transportation Finance and Policy  
Minnesota House of Representatives

The Honorable Erin Koegel  
Co-Chair, Transportation Finance and Policy  
Minnesota House of Representatives

RE: Support for HF2438

Dear Chairs Koznick, Koegel and Committee Members:

On behalf of the City of Lakeville, I am writing to express our strong support for HF2438. We value your leadership and dedication to advancing policies and investments that enhance local, regional, and state transportation infrastructure, and we are grateful for the helpful ideas and meaningful work that has occurred during this legislative session.

The passage of this bill would bring critical improvements to our transportation system, significantly increasing safety, providing capacity and bolstering the economic viability of our communities.

The proposed investments in safety enhancements directly reduce the risk of accidents and save lives. Planned projects such as improved roadways and intersections, upgraded pedestrian/bicyclist crossings and new trail connections will advance public safety initiatives. Implementation of these projects will make our transportation system safer for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians alike.

The additional transportation capacity provided by projects included in the bill will ensure our growing communities and transportation networks are compatible and consistent with community visions and goals. Improved roadways and smarter traffic flow management will increase vehicle mobility and traffic flow, and help to relieve congestion, reduce travel times and decrease driver operating costs.

Lastly, this legislation will deliver transportation infrastructure that will strengthen local, regional and interstate commerce through a more efficient movement of goods and people. The future investments will help to create a sense of community and belonging, where people feel safe traveling to/from and provide the high quality of life our communities have grown accustomed to and expect.

Thank you for your continued work and commitment to addressing local, regional, and state transportation systems. A significant transportation investment like this advances projects that simply cannot be delivered solely at a local level. Your work is instrumental in creating safer, more connected and economically vibrant communities. We respectfully urge you to support and advance HF2438 and we look forward to partnering with you in its successful implementation.

Respectfully,

Zach Johnson  
Lakeville City Engineer