



March 29, 2023

Members of the Minnesota House Transportation Finance & Policy Committee

Re: HF2887 (Omnibus Transportation Bill)

On behalf of the Municipal Legislative Commission (MLC), an organization representing 19 suburban cities in the metropolitan area, we would like to express our support for the Corridors of Commerce Program Provisions contained within HF2887.

The goal of the Corridors of Commerce program is to focus additional transportation investments in state highway projects that directly and indirectly foster economic growth for the State through the provisioning of construction jobs, enabling of goods to be transported through a commerce-friendly network of corridors, and providing additional mobility to its citizens. Overall, this program has been very successful in doing this.

Our Association strongly supports significant state investments to address the multitude of transportation needs facing our residents. We believe that robust state investments will bolster economic growth, encourage vibrant communities and alignment with our shared vision for Minnesota.

The MLC would like to thank the committee members and Chair Hornstein for their leadership on transportation issues, for what will become significant infrastructure investments serving the people of Minnesota.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Hovland", written over a horizontal line.

James Hovland
Mayor, City of Edina
Chair, Municipal Legislative Commission