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The Honorable Elaine Chao
Secretary of Transportation
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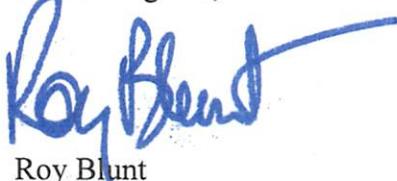
Dear Secretary Chao,

It has come to my attention that the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) has applied for funding under the Federal Transit Authority's Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant Program for FY 2020. KCATA has committed funding to meet the local match requirements of this grant program.

This funding would be used to modernize KCATA's regional Operations and Dispatch Center (OC). These critical upgrades to the OC would improve the operational efficiency of KCATA's transit systems, including bus dispatching, operating communications, training, and safety and transportation management. Additionally, the modernization of this 43 year-old facility will bring it into full ADA compliance.

The efforts of KCATA to increase the efficiency and safety of the regional transit system is to be commended. It is my hope you will give this grant request from KCATA positive consideration.

Sincere regards,



Roy Blunt
United States Senator