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May 31, 2013

The Honorable Ray LaHood  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Support for the Century Boulevard Mobility Improvement Project**

Dear Mr. LaHood:

I am writing in support of the City of Inglewood's TIGER Discretionary Grant application to secure funding for the Century Boulevard Mobility Improvement Project. Century Boulevard is a major arterial in Los Angeles County that traverses through both the Cities of Los Angeles and Inglewood.

The Century Boulevard Mobility Improvement Project seeks to improve the 100 foot-wide three mile right of way of the Boulevard in Inglewood from Van Ness Avenue on the east to La Cienega on the west. Improvements would include pavement replacement, traffic flow improvements, pedestrian safety, streetscape, public safety right-of-way, landscape and drainage.

These necessary improvements to Century Boulevard will stimulate the local economy and create jobs. Job creation and near and long-term economic activity remain top priorities for local, state and the federal government. This project provides a unique opportunity to showcase a regional infrastructure project that illustrates the nexus between transportation and economic competitiveness.

The Century Boulevard Mobility Improvement Project will make this major thoroughfare more sustainable by promoting non-motorized transportation activities by creating bicycle lanes and pedestrian linkages, promoting the use of public transit by creating exclusive bus lanes, and increasing the efficiency of major regional transportation corridor through effective signal synchronization.

As the representative for this area, I know firsthand the great importance this grant opportunity will have on this community. I support the City of Inglewood and the Century Boulevard Mobility Improvement Project and urge the U.S. Department of Transportation to award TIGER funding to see these project objectives realized.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roderick D. Wright".

**RODERICK D. WRIGHT**  
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