

July 20, 2015

Dear Senator:

The undersigned organizations representing every sector of the U.S. economy urge all members of the Senate to pass a six-year reauthorization of the federal surface transportation program in 2015 that increases investment in highway and public transportation improvements.

America's transportation infrastructure network is the foundation on which the nation's economy functions. American manufacturers, industries and businesses depend on this complex system to move people, products and services every day of the year. It is also a direct contributor to enhanced personal mobility and quality of life for all Americans.

With unanimous approval of S. 1647, "Developing a Reliable and Innovative Vision for the Economy (DRIVE) Act" on June 24, the Senate Environment & Public Works Committee demonstrated a bill with common sense policy reforms and robust investments can achieve broad bipartisan support and enthusiasm. The DRIVE Act should serve as a vehicle to complete a comprehensive reauthorization process this year.

The U.S. economy and all Americans require a surface transportation infrastructure network that can keep pace with growing demands. A six-year federal commitment to prioritize and invest in our aging infrastructure and safety needs is essential to achieve this goal.

Temporary program extensions and eight years of recurring Highway Trust Fund revenue crises do not provide a path to future economic growth, jobs and increased competitiveness. We urge you to end this cycle of uncertainty by advocating and voting for a six-year surface transportation program reauthorization bill during 2015.

Sincerely,

National Association of Manufacturers  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
American Road and Transportation Builders Association  
Associated General Contractors of America  
U.S. Travel Association  
National Retail Federation  
American Farm Bureau Federation  
American Trucking Associations  
AAA  
American Public Transportation Association (APTA)  
Association of Equipment Manufacturers

International Union of Operating Engineers  
Laborers International Union of North America  
United Brotherhood of Carpenters  
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials  
American Society of Civil Engineers  
American Association of Port Authorities  
North America's Building Trades Unions  
MADD  
Airports Council International - North America  
American Highway Users Alliance  
American Public Works Association (APWA)  
National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)  
American Council of Engineering Companies  
The National Industrial Transportation League  
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association  
Energy Equipment and Infrastructure Alliance  
Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance  
National Railroad Construction & Maintenance Association  
Construction & Demolition Recycling Association  
International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association  
American Concrete Pavement Association  
The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC)  
National Electrical Contractors Association  
American Rental Association  
American Supply Association  
National Precast Concrete Association  
United Motorcoach Association  
National Tank Truck Carriers, Inc.  
NAIOP, the Commercial Real Estate Development Association  
National Utility Contractors Association  
Associated Equipment Distributors  
Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute  
National Recreation and Park Association  
National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)  
American Iron and Steel Institute  
Coalition for America's Gateways & Trade Corridors  
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute  
National Safety Council  
Industrial Minerals Association - North America  
Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association  
American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC)  
National Steel Bridge Alliance (NSBA)  
North American Equipment Dealers Association (NAEDA)

National Asphalt Pavement Association  
American Concrete Pipe Association  
Corn Refiners Association  
American Traffic Safety Services Association  
National Association of Truck Stop Operators  
American Society of Landscape Architects  
Farm Equipment Manufacturers Association  
Governors Highway Safety Association  
Institute of Makers of Explosives  
Metropolitan Planning Council of Chicago  
Asphalt Emulsion Manufacturers Association  
Asphalt Recycling & Reclaiming Association  
International Slurry Surfacing Association  
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA)