



June 3, 2015

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: FY2015 TIGER Discretionary Grant/I-579 "Cap" Urban Connector Project

Dear Secretary Foxx,

The Hill Community Development Corporation (CDC) supports the submission of the application for a FY2015 TIGER Discretionary Grant ("TIGER VII") by the Sports and Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County.

The mission of the Hill CDC is to work in partnership with residents and stakeholders to create, promote, and implement strategies and programs that connect plans, policy and people to drive compelling community development opportunities in the Greater Hill District. The Hill CDC is responsible for the facilitation of the Greater Hill District Master Plan, including addressing any community concerns regarding redevelopment and opportunities in the area. Additionally, the Hill CDC has recently completed a redevelopment and design plan to revitalize the Centre Avenue business corridor, which is a major artery that journeys through the Hill District and connects Downtown Pittsburgh to the East End.

The Hill CDC believes that the I-579 Cap project will contribute to the planned redevelopment of the Lower Hill, as well as the Centre Avenue infrastructure upgrades and other improvements as outlined in the Centre Avenue Redevelopment and Design Plan and the Greater Hill District Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Marimba Millions
President and CEO