

February 19, 2026

Alabama Department of Transportation
ATTN: Rebuild Alabama Act Grant Program
Post Office Box 303050
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-3050

**RE: Letter of Support - FY 2026 Rebuild Alabama Act (RAA) Annual Grant Program
Application for N. Dobson Avenue and W. 7th Street Intersection Improvements**

Dear Selection Committee,

I am writing to express strong support for the City of Bay Minette's application to the FY 2026 Rebuild Alabama Act (RAA) Annual Grant Program for improvements at the intersection of N. Dobson Avenue and W. 7th Street, along with enhancements to W. 7th Street. This project represents a vital investment in transportation safety, efficiency, and connectivity for our community and the surrounding region.

The N. Dobson Avenue and W. 7th Street Roadway Improvements Project will address existing safety and operational deficiencies at a key intersection serving schools, municipal facilities, employment centers, and commercial destinations. Planned improvements include targeted intersection upgrades and roadway enhancements along W. 7th Street, improving traffic flow, reducing congestion, and supporting safe travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers. By complementing the nearby Redhill Road extension funded through Baldwin County Commission's 30 Cubed program, this project will create a more complete and connected roadway network, enhancing regional mobility and supporting economic development.

This project aligns with broader transportation and infrastructure goals by increasing system reliability, supporting future growth, and improving access for daily travel, special events, and emergency response. Funding these improvements will provide tangible benefits to residents, businesses, and visitors alike, including safer routes for schoolchildren, reduced travel delays, and improved emergency vehicle access.

Thank you for considering this application and for your continued investment in local transportation infrastructure across Alabama. I strongly encourage your support for this important project.

Sincerely,

JAMES E. BALL, Chairman
Baldwin County Commission

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cc: Baldwin County Commission
County Engineer
Honorable Mayor Joshua O. Brown
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