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June 24, 2025

Chairman Cory Tomczyk
Senate Committee on Transportation & Local Government
Wisconsin State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707

SUBJECT: Confirmation of WI Department of Transportation Secretary Kristina Boardman

Dear Senator Tomczyk,

Since taking office in September of 2024, Wisconsin Department of Transportation Secretary Kristina Boardman has been an invaluable partner with counties and all local governments in Wisconsin.

Ms. Boardman's professionalism, her keen understanding of Wisconsin's critical transportation needs and her recognition of the strong partnerships that exist in the transportation arena are just the main reasons why the Senate should confirm her as Secretary.

From the outset of her appointment, Ms. Boardman has relied upon the framework laid by her predecessor by continuing access and communication with her and her senior staff. It is a leadership style that she has recognized and embraced, and the WCHA joins others in the public and private sector to support her nomination. She brings clear command of the issues that are important to local government transportation, evident by over two decades at WisDOT and in Wisconsin state government.

The Wisconsin County Highway Association (WCHA) respectfully requests the Senate Transportation Committee to act favorably on the confirmation of Wisconsin Department of Transportation Secretary Kristina Boardman.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick B. Vander Sanden".

Patrick B. Vander Sanden
Executive Director

cc Members, Senate Committee on Transportation & Local Government

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