

## CITY OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

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Congresswoman Debbie Dingell Senator Peters Senator Stabenow ((transmitted in 3 separate letters))

RE: Letter of Support for the City of Ann Arbor's Pedestrian Signal Upgrade Project

Dear Congresswoman Dingell/Senator Peters/Senator Stabenow

On behalf of the Ann Arbor Transportation Commission, please accept this letter of support for the City of Ann Arbor's pedestrian signal upgrade project. The City and its residents are united to achieve zero fatal and serious crashes (a.k.a. "Vision Zero") by 2025. Pedestrians represent one of our most vulnerable road users and projects which improve safety for people on foot or in wheelchairs are imperative to our success in achieving our Vision Zero goal.

The community's commitment to non-motorized transportation has been well documented over several years. This project will help address the Safety, Mobility, Accessibility for All, and Healthy People Sustainable Places pillars of the adopted transportation element of the City's Master Plan, known as "Moving Together Towards Vision Zero." Ann Arbor has a large proportion of our residents and visitors that use our sidewalks and crosswalks and improving signalized intersections so they include accessible countdown pedestrian signals makes our community safer and more accessible to all.

Thank you for your consideration of the City's funding request. I hope you share my excitement about the prospect of improving the safety and experience for pedestrians in Ann Arbor.

Sincerely,

Bret Hautamaki, Chair of the Transportation Commission