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Sean Duffy, Secretary
Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington DC 20590

Dear Secretary Duffy,

I am writing to you as the Director of the Omaha Tribe's Environmental Protection Department. I am pleased to submit this letter in strong support of the Tribes effort to improve traffic safety through the proposed roundabout project at the intersection of Highway 75 and Main Street in Macy, Nebraska, on the Omaha Indian Reservation.

The Proposed Roundabout Project would reduce the possibility of potential collisions at that poorly designed intersection. This intersection serves as a primary artery for the community; it is located near the Nebraska Indian Community College and provides access to the Tribes Headquarters and the Carl T. Curtis Health Center. Consequently, the area experiences high traffic volume, particularly during the morning and evening commute hours. Having a roundabout would slow the flow of traffic on Highway 75 going both north and south as we have a lot of vehicle traffic going through our reservation. During harvest season we see a marked increase in truck traffic going through that intersection at a high rate of speed.

There have been accidents at that intersection that have resulted in my office been called due to a spill of fuel or other fluids that can threaten our Tribal environment. Having fewer or no accidents at that intersection would help protect the environment and reduced speeds would result in the improvement of air quality through lower emissions.

Please accept this letter of support for this project, which is vital to the safety of our community members and those who travel through our reservation.

Sincerely,

Tim Grant, Director
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