



January 22, 2015

Mr. Jamie Fox, Commissioner
New Jersey Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 600
Trenton, NJ 08625-0600

Dear Commissioner Fox,

I am writing in support of the Borough of Woodbine's applications for Municipal Aid and Transportation Alternative Program Funding (TAP). These two applications propose activities which are an integral part of a major capital program initiative affecting the Borough's most densely populated neighborhoods. They will also compliment a significant construction project in Cape May County.

Woodbine's Municipal Aid Application will provide for reconstruction of DeHirsch Boulevard which serves as a local interior route paralleling Route 550 where the County reconstruction program is proposed. These two rights of way are utilized by both local as well as commuting traffic. Route 550 serves as an alternate route to the shore, an evacuation route and a major East /West route for commercial as well as residential traffic. Both DeHirsch Boulevard and Route 550 essentially bisect the Borough and as such are in dire need of physical improvements to improve vehicular movement through the Borough for commuting as well as emergency purposes. Lincoln Park and Recreation Complex, and the Borough's Community and Senior Centers are in close proximity to DeHirsch Boulevard and County Route 550.

The Borough's Transportation Alternative Application (TAP) is also integrated into the above Route 550/ DeHirsch Boulevard Program in that it will provide improvements including street scape improvements, pedestrian safety and vehicular mobility enhancements in the area between DeHirsch Boulevard, Adams Avenue and Franklin Street. Moreover, this TAP Application represents the final phase of Woodbine's multi-year Street Scape Improvement Program which has been funded by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Community Affairs in previous years.

These programs will address storm drainage, rights of way, pedestrian safety and emergency evacuation needs for not only the Borough but the County and the entire Region

I am hopeful that this letter of support will receive your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marlene Z. Asselta".

Marlene Z. Asselta
President, SNJDC

CC: William Pikolycky, Mayor, Borough of Woodbine
Michael Zumpino