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Chairman Felix Schmiesing
St. Cloud Area Planning Organization
1040 County Road Four,
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56303

Dear Chairman Schmiesing,

The National Complete Streets Coalition congratulates you on committing to Complete Streets by adopting a resolution on May 26, 2011. In doing so, St. Cloud area planning organization demonstrates its dedication to a safe, healthy, and vibrant community. We are hopeful that your leadership will inspire other communities to take action.

The National Complete Streets Coalition represents a broad variety of groups, including those that represent users of the transportation system, such as America Bikes, the American Public Transportation Association, and AARP, and transportation professionals, such as the Institute of Transportation Engineers and the American Planning Association. Public health and environmental organizations have also joined the Coalition because they share our goal of transforming the way roads are planned, designed, built and operated so they can serve all users.

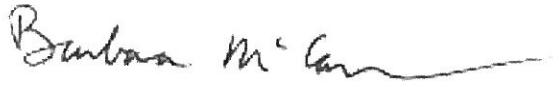
By completing the streets, St. Cloud area planning organization will make walking, bicycling, and taking public transportation attractive, convenient, and viable options, and, in the process, encourage residents to lead healthy, active lifestyles. When streets are designed and operated to accommodate all users, regardless of how they travel, you give residents and visitors choices to get around town, saving them money at the pump and making St. Cloud a better place to work, live, and visit.

In recognition of your leadership, we would be honored to have St. Cloud , along with other communities who have committed to complete streets, sign a letter asking Congress to pass federal complete streets legislation. If you are interested, please contact me at bmccann@completestreets.org or (202) 234-2745.

AARP • Active Living by Design • Alliance for Biking & Walking • America Bikes • America Walks • American Council of the Blind
• American Planning Association • American Public Transportation Association • American Society of Landscape Architects •
Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals • City of Boulder • HNTB • Institute of Transportation Engineers • League of
American Bicyclists • National Association of Area Agencies on Aging • National Association of City Transportation Officials • National
Association of REALTORS • National Center for Bicycling and Walking •
Ryan Snyder Associates • Safe Routes to School National Partnership • Smart Growth America • SvR Design Company •
Transportation for America

Once again, thank you for taking action on this important issue and congratulations on achieving this important first step. We look forward to working with you in the future and hearing about your progress.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara McCann". The signature is written in black ink and has a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Barbara McCann
Executive Director
National Complete Streets Coalition