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Charlottesville Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization PO BOX 1505 Charlottesville, VA 22902

Re: Zan Road Bridge Project

Dear Chair Mallek,

The Albemarle County Board of Supervisors is providing this letter to state our unanimous and strong support for construction of the Zan Road Bridge project as recommended by the Hydraulic Planning Advisory Board as part of the Route 29 Solutions package of transportation projects.

VDOT ranks the Hydraulic intersection as the most dangerous intersection in the Culpeper District. This bridge connection would provide residents of Charlottesville and Albemarle County a safe vehicular, transit, bike and pedestrian connection over Route 29 and support economic development between our two communities. While this project did not receive Smart Scaling funding, there is approximately \$18 million remaining in Route 29 Solutions funding which we believe should be directed to this priority project.

In summary, the Zan Road Bridge project is one that has mutual benefits for both County and City residents, providing much needed safe pedestrian, transit and local vehicle access between Albemarle County and Charlottesville while relieving capacity from the Hydraulic 29 intersection.

The Albemarle County Board of Supervisors strongly supports and requests the remaining Route 29 Solutions funds be programmed to completion of the Zan Road Bridge project.

Sincerely.

Ned L. Gallaway, Chair

Albemarle County Board of Supervisors

cc: Albemarle County Board of Supervisors Jeffrey B. Richardson Chip Boyles