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The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Re: Strong Support for Stamford's EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan:

As the local Stamford Board of Representative Members who represent the project area, I write to convey my strong support for the City of Stamford's "Climate Pollution Reduction Grant" (CPRG) application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Stamford seeks CPRG funding to implement a key recommendation of the [*Southwest CT Climate Action Plan*](#). Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the transportation sector are identified as a major contributor to climate change in the region. Municipalities across Southwest Connecticut have identified Complete Streets as critical tools "for enabling safe walking and biking instead of driving." CPRG funding will support the conversion of Bedford and Summer Streets in Stamford to Complete Streets with new pedestrian/bike accommodations and improved transit service. Federal investment will improve mobility in a majority-minority community and significantly reduce its carbon footprint.

I support Stamford's effort to mitigate carbon emissions. Stamford is a rapidly growing city with outdated roads and pedestrian pathways. As younger families and students move it, green space and walking/biking paths are vital to our health and welfare.

Please give the highest consideration to Stamford's application for EPA CPRG funding. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Representative Cara Gilbride
District 11