Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the CamTran Bus Replacement Project in the upcoming surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is Cambria County Transit Authority (CamTran) and the project is located at 502 Maple Avenue, Johnstown PA 15901.

The funding is designated for the replacement of ten buses over the next three years. The buses will have met their useful life in the year of bus replacement.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits as CamTran is the primary transportation provider in Cambria County and is the designated transportation coordinator in the county. Annually, CamTran spends approximately $1.3 million in Cambria County buying goods and services for operations/maintenance purposes. CamTran serves 1.1 million customers annually, using both urban/rural fixed routes and shared Ride/ADA complementary paratransit bus services. CamTran is unique in that they operate all types of bus services throughout Cambria County.

The majority of CamTran’s customers are transit dependent and do not own or have access to cars. During the COVID-19 pandemic, many of these riders have been essential workers in the hospitals, nursing homes, pharmacies, restaurants, and grocery stores. Enabling CamTran to continue these services with new busses is crucial.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

John Joyce, M.D.
Member of Congress