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California Transportation Commission 1120 N Street, MS – 52 P.O. Box 942873 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SR 86 Multimodal Improvement Project: Aten to Wall Road, SCAG Cycle 6 Active Transportation Program Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Imperial Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce, I am pleased to support the City of Imperial's "SR 86 Multimodal Improvement Project" project being submitted to the Cycle 7 Active Transportation Program Grant.

This project will greatly benefit our historically disadvantaged community through its commitment to making SR 86 a vibrant and attractive multimodal corridor that accommodates all users, creates a connection between key destinations, provides a comfortable and healthy environment with safe infrastructure, and fosters a strong sense of community.

These improvements are critical in realizing the City of Imperial's unified vision for active transportation systems, City of Imperial Circulation Element, and City of Imperial Land Use Element; as well as the City's recently completed SR 86 Vision Blueprint Plan. All of which included a comprehensive community engagement process that further identified the need for these mobility enhancements.

I strongly endorse the City's efforts to seek funding for the SR 86 Multimodal Improvement Project, which will continue to enhance our public health, increase our commitment to sustainability, improve safety, and advance equity for our disadvantaged community through environmental justice.

Thank you for your consideration of the City of Imperial's project funding request. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 760-352-7413 or email CEO@IVRegionalChamber.com.

Sincerely,

Sher Cowie President/CEO

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