

January 21, 2026

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable John Thune
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Speaker Johnson and Leaders Thune, Schumer and Jeffries:

The undersigned organizations urge Congress to pass H.R. 7148, which contains the FY 2026 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) spending bill and fully-funds core highway, public transportation and airport construction programs at previously authorized levels.

More than 100,000 transportation projects are currently advancing with federal funding support, and the continuity provided by timely action on FY2026 appropriations ensures state departments of transportation and local public transportation agencies can keep these projects moving. These projects improve safety, mobility, and economic prosperity in nearly every community and allow businesses to continue investing in the people and equipment necessary to build.

Further, this fully funded FY 2026 THUD spending bill will provide a solid foundation needed to draft and move long-term road, bridge, and transit legislation before the current law's Sept. 30 expiration.

Congress can support these enhancements by passing H.R. 7148 and we urge all members to vote YES when it comes up for votes in the House and Senate in the coming days.

Sincerely,

American Road & Transportation Builders Association
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials
Associated General Contractors of America
American Trucking Associations
American Society of Civil Engineers
National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association
Transportation Intermediaries Association
American Council of Engineering Companies
American Cement Association

Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
American Concrete Pipe Association
National Utility Contractors Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
American Traffic Safety Services Association
AICC, The Independent Packaging Association
FCA International
The Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association (SMACNA)
FP², formerly the Foundation for Pavement Preservation
National Tank Truck Carriers
North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)
National Association of Surety Bond Producers
American Public Works Association (APWA)
Airports Council International – North America
American Public Transportation Association
International Union of Operating Engineers
American Iron and Steel Institute
Essential Minerals Association
National Association of County Engineers
Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA)
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators
American Galvanizers Association
National Asphalt Pavement Association
International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association (IBTTA)
American Institute of Steel Construction
National Steel Bridge Alliance
Associated Equipment Distributors
American Coal Ash Association
Design-Build Institute of America
Specialized Carriers & Rigging Association
American Highway Users Alliance
American Association of Airport Executives
U.S. Contract Tower Association
American Concrete Pumping Association (ACPA)
American Subcontractors Association