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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio Chair Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives 2165 Rayburn Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2164 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: H.R.2 INVEST in America Act

Dear Chairman DeFazio & Ranking Member Graves:

On behalf of the Delaware River Port Authority (DRPA) & Port Authority Transit Corporation (PATCO), a public, corporate instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, are writing to thank you for your extraordinary leadership and express our strong support for H.R.2, the "Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America Act" (INVEST in America Act). The INVEST in America Act makes a 5- year, \$494 billion critical investment for surface transportation infrastructure, including \$319 billion for highway investment and \$105 billion for Public Transit. It also provides a long-term vision to address the more than \$100 billion state-of-good-repair backlog in public transit infrastructure and meet the mobility demands of growing communities, including small urban and rural communities.

It also sets the path to increase access to opportunities for all Americans and build more equitable communities. In addition, the INVEST in America Act addresses the environmental and sustainability challenges facing our communities, nation, and the world. These investments are critical to jumpstart our economic recovery.

Thank you again for your leadership on these issues and the continued conversation for funding our infrastructure.

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