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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio, Chair

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2165 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

June 15, 2020

The Honorable Sam Graves, Ranking Member

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2164 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Gerald Connolly

U.S. House of Representatives
2238 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman DeFazio, Ranking Member Graves, and Representative Connolly,

Raul V. Bravo + Associates (RVB+A) wishes to add our voice to those of our colleagues in the public transportation and rail industries and express our strong support for H.R. 7095, the "Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America Act" (INVEST in America Act).

RVB+A is a small business located in Reston, VA. Our specialty lies in passenger rail rolling stock. We provide key technical knowledge, experience, and services to public transportation agencies, manufacturers, and service providers across the country to help ensure the safety, reliability, and cost effectiveness of rail transportation. Our business is qualified and registered in the U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and various state and local minority-owned and small business programs in more than two dozen locations.

The INVEST in America Act will provide critical funding for passenger rail transportation, enabling riders to commute to places of employment, medical and other services, and entertainment safely and conveniently. On a macro level, The INVEST in America Act will get those people to work and help put the 435,000 direct employees of the industry to work. On the personal level where we work, it will help RVB+A keep its seventy employees working and supporting their families.

Thank you for your leadership and tireless support on these issues. We look forward to working collaboratively with you and your colleagues on both sides of the aisle as this bill advances through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Claudio R. Bravo".

Claudio R. Bravo

Vice President