Attn: Nick Colby,

President, Meridian Kessler Neighborhood Association

Letter of Support for Red Line Transit Initiative

As a Meridian Kessler resident, I will voice my strong support for the Red Line Transit proposal from IndyGo. The current College Avenue bus does not run frequently, and it currently has to share lanes with vehicle traffic. This is a bus that I have ridden hundreds of times, so I am glad to have it, but there needs to be major improvement.

The Red Line is also important for setting the standard for a modern transportation system in Indianapolis. Giving citizens an option of travel that is safe, frequent, and efficient is important for the future of the city. There will also likely be financial benefits and increased property values along the line.

If the current proposal for the Red Line were watered down or compromised, it will not reach its full potential. Opponents will be able to use the disappointing figures in their fight against future expansion of the system. It is critical to get this right the first time.

I'm very excited about the potential for Indianapolis, and projects like the Red Line. I have been looking forward to exciting transit initiatives since I started writing about transit issues in 2007. It is time to put all the plans into action and chart a new and exciting style of development for the city.

Thank you for your time,

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