

THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

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Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. Mayor of Atlanta City Hall Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Mr. William Maynard Chairman AATS Policy Committee City Hall Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor Allen and Mr. Maynard:

Thank you for your letter supporting and endorsing the Center City Transportation Program. We believe that this program offers the promise of initiating action and that it can implement solutions to the problems of transportation in the heart of urban areas. We also believe that the Federal Government can help most effectively by working in partnership with the cities and industry, and your letter would indicate that such a partnership is possible in Atlanta.

As you know, the Phase I work of the Arthur D. Little team has been completed. We are now reviewing their recommendations and plans for Phase II and hope to make a final decision on the next step in the project very soon.

I appreciate Atlanta's enthusiastic and energetic support for the program. During the briefings on the Phase I effort, Collier Gladen and Robert Bivens were most effective in proposing various means for integrating the Center City Transportation Program and Atlanta's ongoing transportation development programs.

You may be assured that I shall give every consideration to a role for Atlanta in this program as it continues.

Sincerely,