

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 16 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0016

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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Washington, DC 20590

Re: Assurance of Matching Funds

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

This letter serves as evidence of assurance by the State of Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) that matching funds for the FY 2022 Ferry Service for Rural Communities Program grant application "Maine State Ferry Service Annual Operating Expenses Assistance" submitted by MaineDOT are committed and will be provided.

MaineDOT is seeking \$10M in FY 2022 grant funding, matched by \$31.6M in state funding. Should funds be received, this project will be included in MaineDOT's 2023-2025 Work Plan and added to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for 2022-2025. It is consistent with MaineDOT's statewide strategic transit plan and long-range plan. MaineDOT is committed to providing these matching funds to the Federal funds requested.

Sincerely,

Bruce A. Van Note Commissioner