



November 10, 2024

Commissioner Bruce A. Van Note
State of Maine Department of Transportation
16 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0016

Dear Commissioner Van Note,

This letter is in support of a request for local funding for the *Federal Highway Administration FY 2023 & FY 2024 National Scenic Byway Program Grant Application* project titled: ***Schoodic National Scenic Byway Discovery & Recreation Hub***

The Sullivan-Sorrento Historical Society has been involved with and supported the Schoodic Byway throughout it's development. I have represented the Society and the Town of Sullivan for many years on the Byway committee. S-SHS has provided content for displays, including photos, as well as a direct link to local history. The Schoodic Byway has been successful because it has maintained a strong committee made up of businesses, municipalities, non-profit organizations and local citizens who have worked together with Maine DOT to create and maintain a resource for local folks and visitors to the area.

This project is especially important because it is bringing several organizations together to add a new dimension to a site where four organizations have facilities and programs for leisure activities for all ages. The proposed additions to the area will make an already well-used facility better able to serve the public.

We strongly support this project as the next step in the life of a Byway we consider to be one of the best in the country and the best in Maine.

Sincerely,

President

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