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To: Whom it may Concern,

Description: Public Transportation on Peoria

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed construction on the southwest corner of east 5th place and south Quaker Avenue. A key factor in any development is public transportation. Over the last 12 months we've had over 700,000 riders on our BRT that runs up and down Peoria. Our services have directly increased economic development on this road and having more housing on Peoria will lead to those ridership numbers increasing. Not to mention over the last 4 months Micro Transit has seen almost 8,000 trips per month with the majority having Downtown as a pickup or drop off destination.

We are also working on the next BRT which will run on RT 66 starting sometime in 2026. That will be an East/West corridor that will connect with the current BRT. This could lead to increased economic growth in our area as well.

I am extremely excited at the opportunity for my employee's to potentially live at this new housing area because a good percentage of them don't drive a vehicle.

If you have any questions, please contact me at smarr@metrolinkok.org or by cell. 918-230-5732.

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