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Kalamazoo Region Bike Route Committee,

I'm writing to place my support for your efforts on record. As I mentioned in a previous meeting, your efforts to create a regional cycling commuter network cannot be underestimated. During the past 45 years I have traveled by bike throughout much of the United States and lived, while commuting by cycle, in seven municipalities in different areas of the country. Nowhere have I seen a *regional* network developed.

Cities throughout the country are improving cycling infrastructure but their efforts fall short of their city boundaries. All the officials of the area's cities and townships should collaborate to complete the Southwest Michigan Bikeway project with the committee's recommended signage. The work being done by this committee is unique. The success of this project will set an example for cities, counties and even states's to develop similar networks in the best interest of motorists, cyclists, residents and businesses in the future.

Sincerely,
Marc A. Irwin