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Executive Office of Housing & Economic Development
Secretary Jay Ash
One Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Secretary Ash:

On behalf of the business owners and residents of New Bedford, I write this letter in support of the City of New Bedford's application to the MassWorks Infrastructure Program. If awarded by your office, the funding would move forward the second phase of the City's Union Street Improvement Project. These monies would further enhance the improvements already taking place as a result of the City's investment and a 2016 MassWorks funding award.

The Union Street Improvement Project is creating a modern roadway that is inviting for vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic. Additionally, this project is providing essential upgrades to an aging infrastructure in this section of the City. These improvements will certainly support a number of planned development projects, both commercial and residential, that will improve the quality of life for the residents of our City. As a member of the New Bedford City Council I respectfully request your favorable consideration of the City's funding request being submitted for the second phase of Union Street Improvement Project.

Thank you for your attention to this correspondence. Should you have questions or require further information from me regarding this issue please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Morad
New Bedford City Council President