April 23, 2021

Congresswoman Omar 404 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North, Suite 203 Minneapolis, MN 55401

Dear Congresswoman Omar,

As the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities is pleased to support MnDOT's Pedestrian Bridge project over I-94 near 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue for consideration as a Member Designated Project.

This important project near Augsburg University will replace the outdated bridge with one that better serves the community. This location is a highly-used, non-motorized crossing over I-94 as it allows people to travel around the community without a vehicle.

We are committed to amending the region's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in a reasonable timeframe to include this project.

On behalf of Metropolitan Council, I would encourage your support for MnDOT's Pedestrian Bridge project at I-94 and 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Sincerely,

Nick Thompson (Apr 3 2021 15:09 CDT)

Nick Thompson, Metropolitan Transportation Services Division Director Metropolitan Council

