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The Honorable Christopher H. Smith U.S. House of Representatives 112 Village Center Dr. Freehold, NJ 07728

Dear Representative Smith:

It is our understanding that federal funds may be available for the replacement of the New Jersey Route 33 bridge over the Millstone River. We write to express unequivocal support for this important project and for any federal funding that could be made available to finance it.

Replacement of this bridge is of significant concern to the region. The bridge, built in 1926, is not suitable for the current traffic load resulting from Route 33's function as a main artery between the shore area and the Mercer County region that includes Trenton, Hamilton and other populous towns.

Furthermore, as Mayor Gary Dorfman of Millstone has pointed out, a number of warehouses are being built nearby that will inevitably increase the truck traffic over the bridge in the near future.

We would greatly appreciate any assistance and advocacy you could provide to ensure that the vital Route 33 remains a safe conduit for travel by securing federal funds to replace the aging bridge over the Millstone River. We look forward to updates on the prospect for federal funding, and thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

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