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Congressman Christopher Smith 2373 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

> RE: Letter of Support for NJTPA TIP Project DBNUM # 14429 Route 35, Bridge over North Branch of Wreck Pond, Wall Township, Monmouth County

Dear Congressman Smith:

Monmouth County is pleased to endorse and provide this letter of support for the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project DBNUM # 14429, the Route 35 Bridge over the North Branch of Wreck Pond located in Wall Township, Monmouth County.

The project will advance the replacement of a structurally deficient and functionally obsolete NJDOT bridge constructed 90 years ago. The anticipated cost for this much needed NJDOT bridge replacement is estimated to be over \$4.6 Million. Monmouth County is very much in support of replacing this bridge as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration of this important bridge replacement project and continued support of Monmouth County.

Sincerely,

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Teri O'Connor County Administrator

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