



Congressman Lee M. Zeldin
First Congressional District of New York

October 14, 2021

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

As we approach the November 22, 2021 deadline to award RAISE grants as mandated by the Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Act, I would like to state my support for the RAISE grant application that was submitted to the Department of Transportation from the Town of Riverhead in Suffolk County, New York.

The proposed Riverhead Town Square in the center of Main Street will result in increased pedestrian traffic and will be a driving force for further revitalization in Downtown Riverhead. An infusion of federal RAISE grant funds to create a public square to provide scenic riverfront vistas and a public gathering space will catalyze and incentivize this redevelopment.

In recognition of the potential benefits of such investment, I wholeheartedly support the Town of Riverhead's application for RAISE grant funding. I ask that you afford this grant application your full consideration and I urge you to award and distribute the RAISE Grant awards as soon as possible in order to assist our nation's economic recovery.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lee Zeldin".

Lee Zeldin
Member of Congress