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April 27, 2021

The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Chairman, Committee on
Transportation and Infrastructure
2134 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member, Committee on
Transportation and Infrastructure
1135 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the St. Croix/St. Thomas ferry service in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works. The project is located at the Gallows Bay Marine Facility, 2-A & 2-B Garden Street, Christiansted, St. Croix, VI 00820, and at the Edward Wilmoth Blyden IV Marine Terminal, Gasvaerks Gade, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI 00802.

The funding is designated for procurement of a ferry vessel for the St. Croix/St. Thomas ferry service and to provide necessary route management.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the benefit of linking St. Croix and St. Thomas/St. John, and their economies, through reliable ferry service. The economic benefits would offer market expansion for visitors, residents and businesses in both island districts.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Stacey E. Plaskett
Member of Congress