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The Honorable Susan Collins  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Patty Murray  
Vice Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Collins and Vice Chair Murray:

The American Cement Association, National Asphalt Pavement Association, National Ready Mixed Concrete Association, and National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association collectively represent the construction materials industry that is essential to building, modernizing, and maintaining the nation's transportation infrastructure. Together, our members produce and supply the cement, concrete, asphalt, and aggregates that form the backbone of America's highways, bridges, airports and airfields, rail and transit systems, and freight networks. We write to express our strong support for robust transportation funding in the Fiscal Year 2027 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies (THUD) Appropriations Bill.

The construction materials industry plays a critical role in supporting economic growth, job creation, supply chain efficiency, and the safe movement of people and goods throughout the United States. Federal transportation investments not only improve mobility and public safety but also generate significant economic returns by reducing congestion, facilitating commerce, and strengthening the competitiveness of American businesses. As many states continue to face substantial infrastructure needs, sustained federal investment remains essential to preserving and improving the nation's transportation network.

We urge the Committee to provide the highest possible funding levels for programs administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation, including those administered by the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, and the Federal Aviation Administration, that are responsible for delivering critical transportation improvements. Robust funding will help states and localities address aging infrastructure, advance capacity-enhancing projects, improve system resilience, and ensure the timely delivery of projects that support economic growth and public safety. Equally important, strong federal investment provides the certainty needed for state departments of transportation and municipalities, contractors, and materials producers to make long-term investments in workforce development, equipment, and domestic production capacity.

We also encourage the Committee to support funding levels consistent with the vision and investment priorities advanced in the BUILD America 250 Act recently approved by the House



Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. The legislation recognizes the significant infrastructure needs that remain across the country and provides a framework for increased federal investment in highways, bridges, freight infrastructure, and other critical transportation assets. Aligning FY 2027 appropriations with the funding levels contemplated by the BUILD America 250 Act would help accelerate project delivery, address longstanding infrastructure deficiencies, improve system performance, and maximize the economic benefits of federal transportation investments. Such an approach would provide states and local transportation agencies with the resources necessary to plan and deliver transformative projects that enhance safety, mobility, and economic opportunity for communities nationwide.

As the Committee develops the FY 2027 THUD Appropriations Bill, we respectfully urge you to prioritize strong, predictable, and sustained transportation funding. America's transportation network is fundamental to the nation's economic success, and continued federal investment is necessary to ensure that infrastructure systems remain safe, reliable, and capable of supporting future growth. We appreciate your leadership and consideration of these priorities and stand ready to work with the Committee to advance policies that strengthen our nation's infrastructure and economy.

Sincerely,

American Cement Association  
National Asphalt Pavement Association  
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