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February 25, 2010

Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins
130 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Jenkins:

Please accept the following FY 2011 federal appropriation request from the City of Lawrence. The request, summarized here, is important to the health, economic development and continued quality of development of the Lawrence community.

**City of Lawrence, KS Transit System – Coordinated Service Technologies –
\$1.8 million**

Staff recommends submission of request of \$1.8 million for the implementation of intelligent transportation system technologies that would be implemented around an automatic vehicle locating system. This \$1.8 million request represents the 80% share of the funding for the project. The total project cost of \$2.16 million. If a federal appropriation is awarded for \$1.8 million, a 20% local match of \$360,000 would be required. This local amount would be cost allocated between the city and the university based on the number of vehicles that are equipped. The city's local match would come from the proceeds from the 0.05% sales tax in City Budget Year 2011.

As part of our ongoing efforts to coordinate service with the University of Kansas this technology will be implemented on both the city and the university fleets. By doing so, passengers will be greatly aided in their ability to use and understand the service being provided within our community without unnecessary barriers. It will also greatly aid our ability to manage the service of both systems and eliminate communication barriers that currently exist through the use of cutting edge technologies.

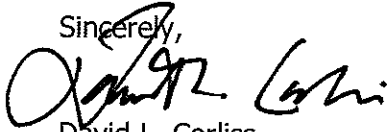
The system would include automatic passenger counting; audio and electronic displays of next bus stops to aid passengers (especially those that are visually and hearing impaired) in using the system; real-time boarding information for service planning; email and blackberry-style information services for riders; computerized trip planning for riders; real-time bus arrival information at key stops; and communication devices for both vehicles and base stations.



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Attached is the form for the project and I would be happy to provide any additional information as may be needed. I can be reached at (785) 832-3400 or at dcorliss@ci.lawrence.ks.us. Additionally, we would like to advise you that we will be submitting this project for appropriation consideration to the other members of the delegation. Thank you for considering this request, and thank you once again for your years of service to the state of Kansas and your constituents in Lawrence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David L. Corliss". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

David L. Corliss
City Manager
C: City Commission