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RE: Murfreesboro Road Streetscape Enhancement Project

Dear Mr. Hansen:

I am writing to offer my support for the planned streetscape enhancements to the Murfreesboro Road Commercial District.

Area merchants, property owners and neighborhood residents have worked diligently to reclaim their community and make it a decent, clean, safe and attractive place to work, live and play. The enhancements identified in the master plan for the commercial district are based on broad community input and are intended to help create a safer environment for vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The improvements will define and create a positive image for the area, thus encouraging opportunities for additional commercial development along the corridor.

I appreciate the efforts undertaken by Metro Nashville and MDHA to involve the local business and property owners, as well as the surrounding neighborhood residents in planning the proposed improvements. The revitalization of the area, via the planned streetscape enhancements, will beautify this stretch of roadway, foster a better identity for the area, encourage the residents and business owners to take pride in the community and will help to spur the revitalization of the area.

In order to ensure the greatest success of this project I am expressing my support for the City of Nashville's grant application to the Tennessee Department of Transportation for funding through the Transportation Enhancement Grant Program. I understand that these potential funds, along with available local funds, could combine to complete the streetscape improvements for the entire length of the commercial district.

I hope you and the members of the selection committee will give this project favorable consideration for a FY 2008 Transportation Enhancement grant.

Sincerely,

Signature

Print Name

Property Owner, Business Owner, Resident, etc.

Name of Business/Organization (if applicable)

Date