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THE GENERAL COURT
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Ali Kleyman
TIP Manager
Boston Regional Metropolitan Planning Organization
State Transportation Building
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Dear Ms. Kleyman,

We write in strong support of the inclusion of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) Phases 2B (mile long segment in Acton and Concord dominated by a bridge over Route 2, Project ID 606223) and 2D (4.6 mile Sudbury segment from Concord Town line south to Station Road, Project ID 608164) on the Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

It's great to see all the segments of the BFRT falling into place. The building of Phase 2B will connect the currently open Phases 1 and 2A to the north with currently under construction Phase 2C to the south. The BFRT, and rail trails in general, add many benefits to our communities including healthy and safe transportation options, increased tourism, retail and recreational opportunities, and lowering our carbon footprint.

Again we thank the Boston MPO for making the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail a priority. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Jamie Eldridge
State Senator
Middlesex and Worcester

Cory Atkins
State Representative
14th Middlesex

Jennifer E. Benson
State Representative
37th Middlesex

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