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Chairman Daniel R. Elliot III
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Chairman Elliot, DOCKET NO. FD 36043

I write to you today in support of the Boston Surface Railroad Company's petition for exemption currently pending before the Surface Transportation Board.

The Boston Surface Railroad Company is looking to receive approval towards their request of becoming a common carrier. This in turn will make their company a federally regulated railroad. Specifically, the Boston Surface Railroad Company is looking to initiate passenger rail service between Worcester, MA and Providence, RI. If granted approval, passengers will not only gain another mode of transportation but also help alleviate some of the congestion of rush hour traffic. In addition, this will help play a part in improving our environment. Finally, the initiation of the passenger rail service will also provide strong economic growth and job creation.

Thank you for your consideration of this petition, as I strongly believe the approval of the Boston Surface Railroad Company's request has beneficial outcomes for members in our community. I urge you to contact me personally should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David K. Muradian, Jr.
State Representative
9th Worcester District

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