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Dear Members of Maine DOT:

I am writing to express my full support for the town of Rockport's application for Village Partnership Initiative funding.

For many months now, I have sat in on meetings in which town officials and residents have hosted robust discussions about their vision for Rockport Village. Living in a neighboring town for close to four decades, I have also attended countless events held in this historic spot – from summer concerts to holiday fireworks, to celebratory dinners to commemorative boat launchings – and have had the pleasure of seeing the whole town turn out to experience community in its historic center.

With a recently rebuilt library, several new businesses, and an increase in population, the town of Rockport is growing, and nowhere is this growth more apparent than in the village center. Along with this revitalization of the town's core comes an urgent need to improve pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular safety. This need is at the heart of the town's request for Village Partnership Initiative funding.

I have witnessed the work this community has undertaken to identify significant and serious safety challenges, and I fully support their vision and application. Please reach out to me should you have any questions.

With my full support,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria W. Doudera" with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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