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The Honorable Jase Bolger
Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives
164 Capitol
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Speaker Bolger:

As you know, the Michigan Senate recently has passed a bi-partisan bill to improve our roads. This measure passed with majority support from both caucuses. It is an imperfect but very workable solution to the most pressing issue facing our business community. The A2Y Chamber hopes you will act on this legislation. Our chamber has long supported efforts to improve our roads. This “lame duck” session of the Michigan Legislature offers a unique opportunity to achieve this needed policy.

Along with supporting road funding, the A2Y Chamber is also a member of the Michigan Competitive Workforce Coalition (MCWC). As a member of MCWC, we know that updating the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act in an inclusive fashion to include both sexual orientation and gender identity will strengthen our community’s ability to attract and retain world class employees. This will provide distinct advantages for our employers as they compete for the best 21st Century Workforce.

If the Michigan Legislature puts aside partisan issues in the remaining weeks of session and specifically focuses on these two critical business priorities, it will show tremendous leadership and help our state accrue lasting economic benefits. Our chamber stands ready to help you in these efforts. If I can be of any further assistance to you, please contact me at (734) 214-0101.

Sincerely,

Diane Keller, President and CEO
Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti Regional Chamber

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CC: Governor Rick Snyder
Michigan Senate Majority Leader Randy Richardville
Michigan Senator Rebekah Warren
Washtenaw County Delegation to the Michigan House of Representatives