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# COOK COUNTY

February 25, 2014

Dear Program Committee Member,

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the development of Cook County's 2040 Transportation Plan, the first long range transportation plan since 1940. Your input and commitment is a critical component of this long overdue effort to improve mobility, safety and economic prosperity for Cook County's 5.2 million residents.

Our goal is to strengthen the County's multimodal transportation system so that people and goods can move through Cook County safely and easily whether by train, car, truck, bike or on foot. The plan will serve as a road map for the design and implementation of a fully integrated multi-jurisdictional transportation system, a system that serves individuals and businesses and improves the County's competitiveness. Your contributions to the planning process will enhance our evaluation of the various modes of transportation and identify ways to strengthen intermodal connections, eliminate system gaps, enhance safety and leverage investments.

Accordingly, I am grateful for your willingness to serve on the Long Range Transportation Plan Advisory Committee and am confident that your insights will beneficially impact Cook County's economic vitality for generations to come.

Thank you for partnering with us in this seminal initiative and, on behalf of County government, residents and visitors, we look forward to collaborating with you to advance sustainable transportation solutions for the region.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Yonan".

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