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RE: Letter of Support – TIGER II \$7 million dollar grant request

Dear Ms. McFadden:

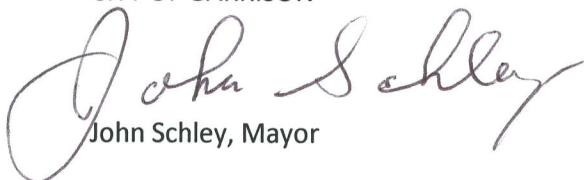
The Garrison City Council supports the approximate \$7 million dollars in improvements for the Garrison area, from Whitefish Creek Bridge in Kathio Township north to Harbor Inn on U. S. Highway 169.

This funding would first and foremost preserve and restore three major historic area properties and would also improve Lake Mille Lacs shoreline water quality through erosion control measures. The replacement and expansion of existing sidewalk north from the “Y” to Harbor Inn would promote pedestrian safety, health and enhance area livability.

Garrison, with its population of 233 residents, is located at a major highway division of U.S. Highway 169 and U. S. Highway 18. Visitors often pass through quickly on the way to a “Northern Getaway”. With this grant, we would create an alternative-transportation friendly trail and access to our community ultimately contributing to the economic stimulus of area businesses. The improvements of lighting and landscaping would encourage many visitors to stop, enjoy and appreciate this magnificent area. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

CITY OF GARRISON


John Schley, Mayor