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Dear Ms. McFadden:

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed livability improvements for the Garrison area, from Whitefish Creek Bridge in Kathio Township north to Harbor Inn. They include the following:

- Restoration of 3 historic properties: Whitefish Creek Bridge, Garrison Pedestrian Underpass and Garrison Concourse Phase II
- Creation of a safe, multi-modal trail in downtown Garrison and landscaping of open land adjacent to the highway into a city park
- Reestablishment of native plantings and erosion control measures to improve water quality on Lake Mille Lacs
- Energy savings by converting streetlights to LED
- Installation of solar panels at the MNDOT truck station in Garrison
- Development of an innovative cell phone application interpreting historic landmarks

These projects are critical to achieving environmental sustainability and enhancing economic competitiveness in the Garrison area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Al Doty".

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