

November 18, 2019

Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program
ATTN: Christopher J. Hedges
Director, Cooperative Research Programs
Transportation Research Board
500 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Re: E-Scooter Safety: Issues and Solutions

The City of Columbia City Council has authorized me to provide this letter of support with respect to the University of Missouri-Columbia's effort to seek a grant funding opportunity to study scooter safety within the City of Columbia, Missouri. There is a real need for safety data regarding the emerging electric assist scooters mode of travel, and I am happy to be able to provide this letter in support of the University's efforts to study safety for all transportation modes.

The University has been a long time advocate for safety of all modes of transport, and I am confident they will approach the potential study with vigorous attention to detail. We look forward to helping to support this much needed research with regard to scooter safety.

Feel free to contact Richard Stone in our Public Works Department at 573-874-6289 if you have questions.

Respectfully,

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