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VIA EMAIL

*The Honorable Dave Camp
Honorable Sander Levin*

The

*Chairman
Member*

Ranking

*Committee on Ways and Means
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*U.S. House of Representatives
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*Washington, DC 20515
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Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

I am writing to express strong opposition to the provision in H.R. 3864, the American Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Financing Act of 2012, that will jeopardize the future of public transportation by redirecting federal gas tax revenues away from public transit. This would undermine years of investment in the City of Boulder's transit system.

Boulder's Community Transit Network (CTN) provides residents and commuters convenient transit options to the single occupant vehicle. It uses neighborhood-scaled vehicles to fit the context of Boulder. It strengthens the local economy by providing easy access around Boulder and to and from surrounding communities and it provides wheelchair accessible transportation. The environment is

preserved by alleviating traffic congestion and minimizing the need for roadway expansion. The CTN journey is an enjoyable, reliable and high-frequency service, which operates clean, comfortable, human-scaled vehicles. And it promotes a positive transit image with attractive vehicles and on-going marketing support

Americans take more than 10 billion trips on transit every year. The federal government has followed a balanced approach to surface transportation funding, providing multi-year dedicated funding from the gasoline tax to both highway and transit projects. This funding stream allows local units of government to build critical infrastructure projects necessary for the economic viability of our community. If the gas tax is redirected away from public transportation, our fiscal health will be jeopardized.

The City of Boulder strongly encourages you to protect its smart investments by not choosing to divert gas tax revenues away from public transit.

Sincerely,

Lisa Morzel,

Deputy Mayor

City of Boulder