



Advancing Women in Transportation

January 10, 2017

Sen. John Thune, Chair
Sen. Bill Nelson, Ranking Member
Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee
512 Dirksen Senate Building
Washington, DC 201510

Dear Members of the Committee,

Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) is an international organization with over 6500 members whose mission is the advancement of women in transportation. We would like to submit this letter of support for the confirmation of Elaine Chao for Secretary of the US Department of Transportation.

Ms. Chao's professional history makes her highly qualified to lead this organization and create a vision for a sustainable, innovative and efficient national transportation system. Her previous experience as Secretary of Labor and as Deputy Secretary of Transportation allows Ms. Chao a unique perspective of all of the elements required to lead an agency that is so important in improving our infrastructure and driving our nation's economy.

Please accept this letter of endorsement on behalf of WTS International.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Diane Woodend Jones', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Diane Woodend Jones
Chair