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*Shaping Our Future Together*

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To the Bristol Selectboard,

The members of Mt. Abraham Union High School District offer our full support for the Town of Bristol's application to the Transportation Alternatives Program grant toward the design and construction of a new sidewalk along Airport Drive. This long-overdue sidewalk construction project will be a much-needed community improvement and allow a safe route to school for students and others going to the school or the adjacent recreation facilities. A new sidewalk along this route will connect an existing sidewalk at the corner of Airport Drive and Rte. 116 and another existing sidewalk on the north side of Airport Drive that leads to Mt. Abraham Union High School (Mt Abe). This stretch of Airport Drive is heavily travelled by buses, vehicles, and students walking in the road to and from the school every day the school is in session, as well as a thoroughfare for summer activities on the Mt Abe campus.

We recognize that approximately half of this project will be on school owned property, and we are prepared to partner with the Town in the cost sharing of this project and in a commitment to long-term maintenance of the sidewalk.

Furthermore, Mt. Abraham Union High School Community Council (Council) holds funds in an account designed to allow the Council to direct a portion of the MAUSD budget capital expense funds to a student led project that positively impacts the students. This sidewalk might be the sort of community project that the students would also include in their project consideration planning and might be a project they could support and direct partial funding of the account toward.

We understand that the expected costs of this project will be in the ballpark of \$300,000 and see this grant application as an excellent opportunity for the Town and the School to collaborate toward a common goal in the most cost-effective way. We strongly support the project and are willing and able to commit funds as appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Floyd Davison', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'. The signature is fluid and extends to the right with a long horizontal stroke.

Floyd Davison  
MAUSD Business Manager