June 28, 2022

The Honorable Katie Hobbs
Secretary of State
1700 W. Washington, 7th Floor
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: H.B. 2858 capital outlay; appropriations; 2022-2023

Dear Secretary Hobbs,

Today, I signed H.B. 2858. This legislation, in conjunction with the historic investments made in the General Appropriations Act (H.B. 2862), provides the largest investment in transportation infrastructure in state history.

Arizona’s economy is booming. Families, businesses and young professionals from all over the country are moving here. Our job is to create the environment to sustain that growth. Infrastructure is the backbone to Arizona’s strong economy. H.B. 2858 provides approximately $1 billion in strategic transportation initiatives, setting our state on the path for continued success. This includes a $875 million targeted investment for 44 specific transportation projects, $20 million for strategic investments in the state’s aviation infrastructure, and $51 million to maintain robust highway maintenance.

In addition, we’re making a $50 million deposit into the new State Match for Rural Transportation (SMART) Fund, which is designed to assist communities outside of the Maricopa and Pima urban cores in seeking federal competitive transportation funding. This will provide an opportunity to further position the state and local communities seeking federal funding opportunities for transportation. The program will be administered by the Arizona Department of Transportation.

H.B. 2858 will continue to enhance Arizona’s transportation system by providing reliable and safe modes of transport while strengthening Arizona’s economic competitiveness.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor
State of Arizona

cc: The Honorable Karen Fann
    The Honorable Rusty Bowers
    The Honorable Regina Cobb
    The Senate Secretary
    The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives
    Arizona News Service
State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
Fifty-fifth Legislature  
Second Regular Session  
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HOUSE BILL 2858

AN ACT

AMENDING LAWS 2022, CHAPTER 218, SECTION 1; MAKING CAPITAL OUTLAY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS OF THE STATE AND FOR STATE INSTITUTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Passed the House \textbf{June 22, 2022} \\
by the following vote: 48 Ayes, \\
11 Nays, 1 Not Voting \\

\textbf{Speaker of the House} \textbf{Pro Tempore} \\
\textbf{Chief Clerk of the House} \\

Passed the Senate \textbf{June 22, 2022} \\
by the following vote: 19 Ayes, \\
9 Nays, 2 Not Voting \\

\textbf{President of the Senate} \\
\textbf{Secretary of the Senate} \\

\textbf{EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA} \\
\textbf{OFFICE OF GOVERNOR} \\

This Bill received by the Governor this \\
\textbf{23} day of \textbf{June}, 2022 \\
at 2:15 o'clock \textbf{P} \textbf{M}. \\

\textbf{Secretary to the Governor} \\

Approved this \textbf{25} day of \textbf{June} \\

\textbf{Governor of Arizona} \\

\textbf{EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA} \\
\textbf{OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE} \\

This Bill received by the Secretary of State \\
this \textbf{9:55} o'clock \textbf{A} \textbf{M}. \\

\textbf{Secretary of State}