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Surface Transportation Board

395 E Street SW

Washington, DC 20423-0001

Dear Surface Transportation Board:

I am writing to join with the City of Passaic in support of the petition filed with Surface Transportation Board by Passaic Street Properties, LLC, the owners of the properties at 99-111 Passaic Street, to return the site to a productive use in the City of Passaic.

The discontinuance of the use at the site over the past five years has caused it to fall into a state of disrepair. The generality of the building is substandard, unsafe, unsanitary dilapidated and obsolescent, as to create an unwholesome working condition and an unwholesome condition for the community. The discontinuance to the use of the building, previously used for commercial purposes, has allowed it to fall into so great a state of disrepair as to be untenable. Further, the building and improvements, by reason of dilapidation, obsolescence, faulty arrangement, deleterious land use and obsolete layout, are detrimental to the safety, health, and welfare of the community.

The City of Passaic, which is located in the New Jersey 36th Legislative District which I represent, would benefit greatly by the redevelopment of the site. A more productive use will result in:

1. Attracting jobs
2. Increasing the tax base
3. Creating housing opportunities
4. Improving the health, safety and welfare of the community
5. Enhancing property values in the community
6. Encouraging and promoting the redevelopment of adjacent properties in the neighborhood.

For all of these reasons, I join the City of Passaic in strongly supporting the petition filed by Passaic Street Properties, LLC and wholeheartedly encourage the Board to act favorably on their request.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Sarlo

Senator, District 36