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Whit Blanton, Executive Director  
Forward Pinellas  
310 Court Street  
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Dear Mr. Blanton:

This letter serves to express the City of Largo's support of Pinellas County's Whitney Road Complete Streets grant application, which, if funded, will support the transformation of the corridor to better meet the needs of Largo's citizens and a sustainable future. Securing these funds will allow Pinellas County staff, with support from City of Largo staff, to address multimodal transportation, land use transformation, quality of life, and workforce development in the project area.

On behalf of the City of Largo, I am pleased to support Pinellas County in this application for a grant request for the Forward Pinellas Complete Streets Program for Concept Planning and Design to make improvements to Whitney Road from US 19 and Bolesta Road. This project will develop conceptual corridor enhancements to support on-going residential growth, bolster economic development, increase safety for all users, improve access to services for vulnerable individuals, enhance the public realm, and provide more efficient connections between residences, schools, parks, public transportation, and businesses.

Projects such as these are vital to sustain existing and future development on a corridor that includes both Largo's Tri-City Special Area Plan and the Bay Vista focus area of the Gateway Master Plan and will serve as a catalyst for positive change and private investment, ultimately increasing quality of life for all residents. This project also aligns with Largo Strategic Plan goals and objectives to:

- Foster a community where opportunities exist for residents and businesses to realize their full potential;
- Cultivate and support a vibrant intergenerational community that attracts residents and businesses
- Invest in quality public infrastructure; and
- Build a community of safe and healthy neighborhoods.

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If you have any questions regarding this endorsement, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Woody Brown".

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