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Mr. Paul C. Ajegba, P.E., Director Michigan Department of Transportation Murray D. Van Wagoner Building P.O. Box 30050 Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Director Ajegba:

Thank you for your letter requesting my consideration for the redesignation of the Saginaw Metropolitan Area Transportation Study.

In accordance with Title 23 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) § 450.310 (j) (1) (2), and the State of Michigan Public Act 200 of 1957, I hereby redesignate the Saginaw Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) as follows:

The MPO for the Saginaw Urbanized Area will be the Saginaw Area Transportation Agency (SATA). The proposed structure of SATA will allow the policy committee to act as the final decision-making board.

This designation shall be effective October 1, 2020.

This new structure will serve to bring the Saginaw MPO in alignment with common practices across the state, and to reflect the will of the local municipalities encompassed by the Saginaw MPO.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) acts on my behalf to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process in the State of Michigan. Therefore, MDOT will continue oversight of the planning process and required projects administered for SATA.

Sincerely,

Gretehen Whitmer Governor of Michigan

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