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Dear Representative Claire Janowski:

I write to endorse Rodney Chabot's reappointment to another term on the Metro North New Haven Rail Commuter Council.

For 24 years, he has generously given his time and talents serving on the Commuter Council. His leadership on the Council earned him the chairmanship where he dutifully served for 11 years. Since 1964 Rodney has been commuting by rail to New York from Connecticut, and as a tireless advocate of rail transportation, Rodney has brought a wealth of first-hand experience and insight to the Commuter Council.

I have had the privilege to work with Rodney on changing our state's strategy and perspective on mass transportation; to see public transportation not only as a solution to highway gridlock, but also as an important part of our environmental and public safety policies. Rodney has been part of our state's major rail infrastructure overhaul, including the Danbury-Branchville Line rail upgrades and the new M-8 rail cars. These improvements will continue to encourage Connecticut commuters to leave their cars at home and board a train - to the benefit of all Connecticut residents.

I am confident that your full review of Rodney's record on the Commuter Council will have you conclude that he deserves to be reappointed to another term on the Metro North New Haven Rail Commuter Council. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 203-858-9950; it would be my pleasure to discuss his credentials.

Sincerely,

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Toni Boucher
State Senator

CC: Senator John McKinney
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