1259 Dryden Road Ithaca, NY 14850 November 24, 2004

Congressman Sherwood Boehlert 45 Church Street Cortland, NY 13045

Dear Congressman Boehlert,

I was very sorry to hear of the cuts that Congressman Istook made to your earmarks for transportation appropriations (from http://www.thehill.com/news/11242004/istook.aspx). I'm very pleased to hear that you stood up for Amtrak, which I've supported for years, and disappointed to hear that the representative from Oklahoma is this incapable of accepting that there are people in the world who disagree with him.

I'd be interested in hearing precisely which of your items disappeared from the bill, and especially if any of them affected Tompkins County or the Town of Dryden in particular. I can probably research different versions of the bill, but I expect that your office will have easier access to the information.

Sincerely,

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