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Mr. Wyatt Brownlee
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Dear Mr. Brownlee:

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has completed another successful Civil Rights Transportation Symposium. In partnership with WTS Columbus Chapter, this year's focus of *Inclusion Through Innovation* attracted more than 500 registrants.

ODOT's Division of Opportunity, Diversity and Inclusion strives to promote fair and equitable business practices for both employees and business partners, as well as to increase successful minority and DBE participation in ODOT contracts. This year's Symposium also focused on promoting other demographic groups that face obstacles with job attainment, business formation, and mobility services including those with disabilities, seniors, and the chronically unemployed or underemployed.

I want to personally *Thank You* for your participation and commitment to share with Symposium participants. As a prominent representative in your industry, you provided a great opportunity to enlighten this year's attendees. Your impactful presentations and discussions were well received by the small and disadvantaged-owned contractors and vendors, majority contractors, business, government, ODOT employees and academia representatives who attended this event.

We look forward to your continued support of Ohio's Civil Rights Transportation Symposium. We anticipate greeting you in person at the 5th Annual Ohio Civil Rights Transportation Symposium to be held in 2022.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Jack Marchbanks".

Jack Marchbanks, Ph.D.
Director

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