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Chairman Graves Opening Statement from T&I's Member Day Hearing

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Washington, D.C. - *Opening remarks, as prepared, of Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Sam Graves (R-MO) from today's hearing, entitled "Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Member Day":*

Today, I look forward to hearing from Members sharing their transportation and infrastructure priorities for the 119th Congress.

The T&I Committee has a busy agenda for this session. Looking ahead, we have multiple legislative priorities that the Committee must reauthorize. A top priority is the reauthorization of the nation's surface transportation programs.

As we plan for a new reauthorization bill, we are going through the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* carefully and looking at what works and what doesn't work. A priority of mine will be to return the surface transportation reauthorization back to a traditional infrastructure bill that focuses on roads, bridges, and the movement of freight.

The portal for Member offices to submit priorities to a surface transportation reauthorization bill went live on Monday and will be open until May 30th. I look forward to working with you all on this must-pass bill.

In addition to the surface transportation bill, we will also work on pipeline safety reauthorization and water infrastructure bills.

Throughout our busy schedule, we will continue to prioritize implementation of the five-year Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reauthorization that was signed into law last year on a bipartisan basis.

As we advance our legislative agenda, it is important to both myself and the Ranking Member that we gather input from all Members of Congress. Again, thank you all for being here today to testify on the transportation and infrastructure needs in your districts.

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