December 30, 2019

City of Virginia 327 1st Street South Virginia MN 55792

Dear Ms. See-Benes:

It is our pleasure to write a letter in support of the City's efforts to secure funding to renovate and construct southern portion of the Silver Lake Walking Trail. As an organization focused on revitalizing Virginia's Lakes, Trails, and Community, we could not be more excited about the renewed effort to allow people to access our gem of a lake.

The location of the existing Silver Lake trail is unsafe where it exists on 2nd Street South as it passes through the Virginia Public Utilities facility. By relocating a portion of the trail to travel over Silver Lake, you are providing a safe, unique way to attract non-motorized means of travel when visitors or community members visit the heart of our city.

In conclusion, we fully support the efforts of the City on the Silver Lake Trail Improvement Project as they work to secure the remaining funds needed to complete this project.

Sincerely,

Luke Chopp, Chairperson

Lakes & Community Beautification Committee

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