



**U.S. Department
of Transportation**

Office of the Secretary
of Transportation

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1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to inform you that many employees of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) have been placed on furlough due to a lapse in appropriations. Through no fault of their own, many DOT employees may not be paid their salaries for the duration of this furlough.

We recognize the hardships that furlough will impose on our employees. For many of our employees, furlough will result in financial challenges. Therefore, we ask that you consider the temporary and unforeseeable nature of the furlough when making decisions as to any financial flexibility that may be extended to DOT employees during this pressing time.

Once the furlough has ended, employees will begin receiving their salaries again. Your patience and consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Washington".

Keith Washington, Director
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