



July 31, 2026

Dear Members of the Nominations Committee:

I am writing to express my sincere interest in being considered for the role of Discipline Director of the Transportation Professionals Certification Board (TPCB). This position will allow me to contribute to the TPCB and give back to my professional community.

I am a Professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Florida International University (FIU). I received my doctoral degree in Civil Engineering from Clemson University in 2010. My research areas include highway safety, traffic operations, and connected vehicle technologies. Since joining FIU in 2011, I have served as the Principal Investigator for over \$7.7M in research grants. My research has resulted in 87 peer-reviewed journal publications, over 160 conference proceedings and final research reports, and an Elsevier book on connected and automated vehicles. I have served as the major advisor for ten doctoral students and over a dozen M.S. and B.S. students. I currently mentor six more PhD students. I have taught courses in introduction to transportation engineering, highway geometric design, and highway safety at the undergraduate and graduate levels. I am an active member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). I currently serve as the Chair of the ITE Transportation Safety Council. I also serve as the faculty advisor for the FIU-ITE Student Chapter. I am also a member of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Committee on Safety Data, Analysis and Performance (ACD12) and have served as a panel member for two National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) research projects on transportation safety.

Understanding the importance of professional credentials, I have strived to earn and maintain my professional certifications. I have a P.E. from the State of South Carolina. I also have Road Safety Professional Level 2 – Infrastructure and Behavioral Certifications from the TPCB. I believe these certifications have helped me maintain a high level of knowledge and skill in highway safety. As a university faculty who teaches a graduate-level safety course, I believe these certifications have kept my professional skills updated and improved my teaching quality. As a researcher who conducts research in safety, I trust that my credentials are a subtle reminder of my competence and willingness to continue expanding my knowledge and expertise.

If elected as a Discipline Director of the TPCB, I will strive to uphold the Vision, Mission, and Values of the Board. I will also work with the Board toward achieving its strategic goals pertaining to *supporting TPCB certificants, maintaining NCCA accreditation, ensuring TPCB sustainability, and identifying future growth opportunities*. More specifically, I will focus on (a) growing the RSP₁, RSP_{2I}, and RSP_{2B} certificants, (b) enhancing the awareness and acceptance of the RSP certifications, (c) understanding the needs and expectations of the transportation industry, and (d) updating the RSP exams to reflect the most current transportation safety knowledge and practices.

I believe I have the credentials, passion, motivation, and commitment to serve as a Discipline Director. If given the opportunity, I am eager to serve the TPCB certificants and the transportation professionals to the best of my ability. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "A Priyanka".

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