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To whom it may concern,

As Member of Parliament for York Outer, I am pleased to lend my support to this bid to reinstate the rail line between Beverley and York.

Reinstating this stretch of line would give my constituents better connectivity with shorter and more frequent journey times into Hull and York city centre for business, leisure and tourism, and easier access to beautiful historic market towns in the Yorkshire Wolds.

As well as boosting tourism along the route, it would open up more job opportunities for my constituents and increase access to education and health services by linking together the two vibrant university cities of Hull and York.

Reinstating this line could also tie in with work underway to bring back a station in Haxby in my constituency, which would serve its population of over 23,000. The station would lie on the York-Scarborough line, but placing it on a new York-Hull line would provide improved east-west connectivity as well as the boosted north-south connectivity it would already bring. This would reduce traffic along the already-congested A1079, which is likely to increase in the coming years given projected housing growth.

I look forward to seeing this project progress and I hope that this supporting letter is useful in demonstrating the support that exists for this proposal along the line of route

*Yours sincerely,
Julian Sturdy*