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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Appropriations Committee U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,500,000 in Community Project Funding for the Westmont and West Athens Mobility and Traffic Safety Improvement Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, located at 900 S. Fremont Ave, Alhambra, CA 91803.

The funding would be used to implement a suite of four different projects within the Westmont-West Athens community, including a new traffic signal installation, upgraded intersection safety improvements, and replacement of bus shelters. These traffic improvements would provide enhancements to the transportation network, granting residents and visitors to the community greater, more accessible, and safer mobility. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the mobility and accessibility of the disadvantaged community of Westmont-West Athens; create a more complete non-vehicular transportation network; provide residents greater mobility options and decrease reliance on personal vehicles; provide comfortable and attractive alternative transportation options to reduce reliance on personal vehicles; and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the region, helping to improve overall air quality and quality of life for the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133, which, among other things, provides flexible funding to address State and local transportation needs.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Martine Waters

Maxine Waters Member of Congress