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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rose DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Jerome Avenue and Laurel Canyon Boulevard Pedestrian Signal Project for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Los Angeles - Council District 6, located at 200 N. Spring St., Room 470, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

The project funding would be used to install various pedestrian safety improvements, such as a high-visibility pedestrian beacon system, pavement markings, and ADA-compliant curb improvements at one of Sun Valley's highest-activity crossings on Jerome Avenue and Laurel Canyon Boulevard. This project will reduce pedestrian-vehicle conflict at a high-risk crossing near the Interstate-5 freeway off-ramp.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will improve pedestrian safety and mobility benefits to one of the busiest and most dangerous intersections in Sun Valley, California—a transit-dependent, predominantly working-class neighborhood. The project will improve pedestrian access to various community assets such as a workforce development center, small businesses, and senior and veteran housing complexes.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133; (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luz M. Rivas".

Luz M. Rivas
Member of Congress
California's Twenty-Ninth Congressional District