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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 Los Angeles Mission College's Construction Technology Workforce Training Facility for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Los Angeles Mission College, located at 13356 Eldridge Avenue, Sylmar California 91342.

The project funding would be used to support capital improvements, equipment acquisition, and program expansion necessary to establish the construction training facility and expand workforce training capacity. This project addresses a clear economic development benefit for the community through a workforce training center for skilled construction trades by expanding training capacity and creating a dedicated hands-on training facility. It will prepare approximately 300 students over three years for entry into apprenticeship programs and construction careers, supporting housing production, infrastructure development, and wildfire rebuilding efforts across Los Angeles County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project directly addresses critical workforce shortages in skilled trades, which are essential to supporting housing production, infrastructure modernization, and wildfire recovery efforts across Los Angeles County

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2) – the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation of public works, facilities.

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