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

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for City of Los Angeles's Sylmar Fire Station (FS31) in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Los Angeles, Council District 7, located at 200 N. Spring Street, 455, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

The funding would be used for the design and construction of a new fire station in Sylmar. The new fire station would reduce response times from approximately 8-9 minutes to 3-4 minutes for all fire and emergency medical services (EMS) incidents in the community. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it provides our first responders with the necessary tools, resources, and logistical support to address an emergency crisis in our community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 5305(a)(2) – the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation (including design features and improvements with respect to such construction, reconstruction, or installation that promote energy efficiency) of public works, facilities (except for buildings for the general conduct of government), and site or other improvements.

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 Rivas".

Luz Rivas  
Member of Congress