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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 Anti-Copper Wire Theft Street Lighting Initiative for Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Los Angeles - Council District 2, located at 200 N. Spring Street, Room 432, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

This project would fund an initiative that would install anti-copper wire theft measures for city lighting infrastructure in the neighborhoods of Valley Glen and Valley Village. This initiative has identified 332 specific outage locations with transit and public safety concerns. This is a one-time capital investment in “theft-proof” technology that will significantly reduce future maintenance costs and require no additional federal operational funding.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this request will reduce copper wire theft and prevent traffic collisions and increase public safety for the 260,000 residents of Valley Glen and Valley Village while addressing streetscape improvements.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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