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May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307 Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the SR-210/5<sup>th</sup> Street Interchange Phase II project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Highland, located at 27215 Base Line, Highland, CA 92346

The funding would be used for the completion of phase two of the project to complete improvements at State Route 210 and 5th Street, which is a major access point within the City of Highland and to the San Bernardino International Airport for vehicle and truck traffic.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses critical transportation needs by widening 5th Street and adding lanes to on and off ramps, improving access to the City of Highland and the San Bernardino International Airport. Additionally, completing this project will enhance freeway functionality, providing safe and efficient access for both vehicular and truck traffic.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

Pete Aguilar Member of Congress