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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Bloomington Animal Shelter Construction in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is San Bernardino County, located at 385 North Arrowhead Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92415.

The funding would be used to construct a new animal shelter that will significantly improve animal care in California's 33rd Congressional District, while promoting public safety through the management of stray animals, abused pets and other homeless animals. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the region has seen a 49 percent increase in animals entering their shelters in the past two years. Investing in this facility will improve public safety and will create more jobs for the region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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 "Pete Aguilar".

Pete Aguilar  
Member of Congress