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The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives The Honorable Steve Womack, Chairman The Honorable Mike Quigley, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations

RE: Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure

Dear Chairmen Cole and Womack and Ranking Members DeLauro and Quigley:

I respectfully request \$1,500,000 for the Richmond Bay Trail Gap Closure Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the East Bay Regional Park District located at 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605. While the recipient is headquartered in California's 12th Congressional District, the proposed project is in my district.

This community project funding would be used to complete a 0.9-mile paved multi-use trail segment in the heavily trafficked transportation corridor from the Pinole Point Business Park in Richmond to the City of Hercules. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would complete an 18-mile stretch of the San Francisco Bay Trail between Oakland and Hercules, providing easy access to three modes of public transportation: rail, ferry and bus. The project has a federal nexus because the funding requested is for purposes authorized by section 133(b)(7) of title 23, United States Code.

Pursuant to Clause 17 of Rule XXIII of the U.S. House of Representatives, I certify that I have no financial interest in this project and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Thank you for your leadership and consideration of my request.

Sincerely, Manual Control of the Con

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