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The Honorable Kay Granger, Chairwoman
The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro, Ranking
Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman
The Honorable Mike Quigley, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and
Urban Development, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations

RE: San Pablo Avenue Complete Street/Bay Trail Gap Closure

Dear Chairs Granger and Cole and Ranking Members DeLauro and Quigley:

I respectfully request \$2 million in Community Project Funding for the San Pablo Avenue Complete Street/Bay Trail Gap Closure Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Contra Costa located at 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, California 94553.

This Community Project Funding would be used to close a 3.2-mile gap along the regional San Francisco Bay Trail by converting one of the four lanes on San Pablo Avenue into a "complete street" with a protected Class I shared-use path for bicyclists and pedestrians between the unincorporated communities of Rodeo and Crockett. These historically disadvantaged communities share public resources such as schools, parks, and libraries but are currently only connected via automobile along San Pablo Avenue.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the County of Contra Costa has already secured more than \$10.5 million in funding from the State of California's Active Transportation Program. The Community Project Funding would fully fund the San Pablo Avenue Complete Street/Bay Trail Gap Closure Project. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 133 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 my immediate family. Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress