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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: Vallejo Ferry Terminal Reconfiguration Project

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

I respectfully request \$3 million in Community Project Funding for the Vallejo Ferry Terminal Reconfiguration Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Francisco Bay Ferry Water Emergency Transportation Authority located at Pier 9, Suite 111, The Embarcadero, San Francisco, California 94111.

This Community Project Funding would be used to relocate the gangway and float for the Vallejo Ferry Terminal further out into the Mare Island Strait at the mouth of the Napa River. This would allow the Authority to operate direct ferry service from Vallejo to San Francisco for approximately 1.2 million passengers annually without interruption during low tide events or for dredging of the Mare Island Strait channel.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Authority must spend some \$2 million every 18 to 24 months to erect a temporary terminal and redirect passengers during the two week it takes to complete the necessary dredging for the current location. Eliminating the need to dredge the channel to the Vallejo Ferry Terminal would save the Authority an estimated \$21 million over the next 20 years. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49, 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