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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Imperial- Imperial Corridor Safety Improvement Projectin Fiscal Year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Imperial at 420 S Imperial Avenue, Imperial, CA 92251.

The funding would be used for the reconstruction of streets, promotion of safe routes to school, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, and connectivity. The grant funds will be used for a variety of improvements including reconstruction of roads, stormwater infrastructure, air quality, expanding sidewalks, installing bike lanes, adding streetlights, and improving crosswalks. Additionally, the city will promote safe routes to school for students who walk or bike to school. The project also aims to improve connectivity with the surrounding neighborhoods by providing better access to public transportation. The project will primarily serve seniors, at-risk youth, and households without access to a vehicle.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the extension of 2nd Street will provide additional access for emergency services to residents and businesses, as well as alleviate congestion for nearby regional outlets to Highway 79 and Interstate 10.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in eligible under 23 USC 133(b) (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program)

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.



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Sincerely,

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