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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Improved Broadband Access in Downtown Castro Valley in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Alameda County Community Development Agency, located at 224 W. Winton Avenue, Room 110, Hayward, CA 94544. The funding would be used to improve the broadband access in downtown Castro Valley to support commercial properties and small businesses. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because there are significant discrepancies in broadband access along Castro Valley Boulevard. Those discrepancies prevent small businesses from properly utilizing point of sale systems and serving customers, thereby limiting the economic growth of the area.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress