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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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 the Safer Streets with Enhanced Lighting Initiative Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Union City, located at 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, Union City, CA 94587. The funding would be used for upgrading all 4,300 existing light fixtures around the city to energy-efficient LED streetlights. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve lighting quality, enhance public safety, and lower long-term energy costs through reduced power consumption. Numerous studies have shown that enhancing street or environmental lighting can significantly reduce crime, particularly offenses such as theft, vandalism, and assault.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes aligned with 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,



Member of Congress