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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the "Oak Park Library Construction" project in fiscal year 2024, in the amount of \$4,000,000. The entity to receive the funding is the City of San Diego located at 202 C Street, Floor 11, San Diego, CA 92101.

This project would fund the New Oak Park Branch Library. The project scope includes construction of a new 20,000 square foot double story library with a 16,650 square foot minimum parking lot and associated street entrance, inclusion of a book sorting facility, necessary infrastructure for technology upgrades and improvements, dedicated meeting and programming space, a dedicated children's and teens' area, sufficient office space for staff and sufficient restrooms.

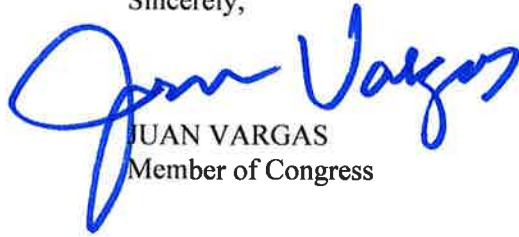
This project is a good use of taxpayer resources because the existing Oak Park Library is only 5,200 sq. ft. and is insufficient to meet the needs of the growing community. The existing library is too small to provide adequate programming and informational services to the library system and cannot support the technological or programmatic needs of the future. The proposed facility will be 20,000 sq. ft. and feature a new book sorting facility, computer lab, reader service area, informal reading/special feature area, reference area, multipurpose room, young adult area, children's area and staff support areas.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

This project has received written support from SD City Mayor Todd Gloria, Chair of the SD County Board of Supervisors Nora Vargas, and SD City Council President pro Tempore Monica Montgomery Steppe.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Juan Vargas". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Juan" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Vargas".

JUAN VARGAS  
Member of Congress