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April 28, 2022

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

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

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the "Light Up San Diego Streetlight Improvement Program - Logan Heights" project in fiscal year 2023, in the amount of \$1,500,000. The entity to receive the funding is the City of San Diego located at 202 C Street, Floor 11, San Diego, CA 92101.

The City has over 50 series circuits citywide that are well over 70 years old. This type of electrical infrastructure is obsolete based on current electrical standards and are in need of replacement. When issues occur on these circuits, it generally impacts all of the streetlights on the circuit and results in a high number of streetlight outages. Replacing this old infrastructure would improve the reliability of streetlights, lower the City's maintenance effort, and lead to savings associated with outages where series circuits currently exist. Approximately 30 streetlights throughout Logan Heights would realize these benefits upon conversion. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer resources because it will increase public and pedestrian safety, lower the City's maintenance effort, and improve streetlight reliability throughout the neighborhood of Logan Heights.

This project has received written support from San Diego City Council President Sean Elo-Rivera and San Diego County Board of Supervisors Chairman Nathan Fletcher.

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

Sincerely,

Juan Vargas

Member of Congress