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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio Chairman House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves Ranking Member House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 2165 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

"I am requesting funding for Bus/Rail Support Facilities and Equipment (Trolley Yard Expansion Project) in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the project is located at Imperial Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101.

The funding is designated for trolley yard expansion in order to accommodate future growth demands, including frequency improvements forecasted in the regional plan, network expansion, such as service to the airport or construction of the new purple trolley Line. The yard also houses maintenance, operations, warehousing, administrative, and central control. These facilities were built in different phases and many buildings were constructed as temporary and have outlived their useful life. This project would consolidate those functions in a modern facility, providing more cost effective and efficient operations.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: providing clean, enhanced, and more frequent transit services, while maintaining exceptional safety, maintenance, and state-of-good-repair priorities.

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

Sincerely,

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JUAN VARGAS Member of Congress