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April 30, 2021

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 "La Media Improv. Siempre Viva to Truck Rte, San Diego, CA" project in fiscal year 2022, in the amount of \$400,000. The entity to receive funding for this project is The City of San Diego, located at 202 C St., San Diego, CA 92101.

The \$400,000 will be allocated towards the design phase of the overall project intended to reconstruct and increase the curb-to-curb width of La Media Road, between Siempre Viva Road and the designated truck route to the Otay Mesa Port of Entry. The total cost for design is \$1,120,000 and the City is committed to utilizing TransNet funding to make up the \$720,000 nonfederal cost share for complete design, in addition to the \$400,000 in federal funds, if allocated.

La Media Road is integral to the California 51<sup>st</sup> District's transportation infrastructure and economy, as well as that of the wider state, as it feeds into the designated truck route for the most active border crossing in California, Otay Mesa Port of Entry. Despite the importance of this road, it is currently in extremely poor condition. Completion of the design phase and the ultimate widening and reconstruction of La Media Road will allow for an enhanced environment for truck commerce to and from Mexico, essential to our border community, the state and the country.

This project has also received written support from San Diego City Council Member Vivian Moreno, of District 8.

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

Sincerely,

JUAN VARGAS Member of Congress