

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

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Carlsbad Village Railroad Double Track Trenching, Carlsbad, CA in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Carlsbad, located at 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, CA 92008. The funding would complete the preliminary design and environmental review phase for a grade separated alignment of the railroad segment that passes through Carlsbad Village and the Barrio neighborhood of Carlsbad.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enhance rail safety, eliminate roadway-rail and pathway-rail grade crossings that are frequently blocked by trains, and reduce the impacts that freight movement and railroad operations have on the region along the second busiest intercity rail corridor in the nation.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized by section 22907 of title 49 of the United States Code.

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

Sincerely,

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MIKE LEVIN Member of Congress