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

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Artesia Botanical Gardens in fiscal year 2023. This project will be located at 11504 178th Street, Artesia, CA 90701. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Artesia (the City), located at 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701.

The Los Angeles Countywide Comprehensive Park & Recreation Needs Assessment (2016) reported a high need for parks in the City of Artesia. Recognizing the need for open space and parkland, this project increases the City's ratio of parkland per residents and provides much needed open space in an otherwise built out city. The Project is intended to address equitable access to parks and recreation facilities and services by creating new park access to communities not currently within a half mile walking distance to a park. The funding would be used to demolish existing unsafe structures, site preparation/grading, construction of public building with restrooms, construction of new outdoor performance stage, and construction of the educational features to complement the existing forestry area to provide a usable benefit for the community.

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

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Linda T. Sánchez Member of Congress

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