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The Honorable Peter DeFazio Chair Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves Ranking Member Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves,

I am requesting funding for the Gold Line Eastside Extension project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, located at One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012 and the project will extend light rail service east from its current terminus at Pomona Bl and Atlantic Bl in East Los Angeles through the cities of Commerce, Montebello, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier.

The project will serve a densely populated and highly congested study area. These communities comprise a large, transit dependent population in east Los Angeles County with 34% of the population identified as low-income households and 9% as zero vehicle households. The Metro L Line (Gold) Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project is being implemented to improve transit access and mobility by connecting communities of eastern Los Angeles County to Metro's regional transit system. The Project will serve the large number of transit-dependent and low-income populations in the project area and increase access to major employment centers, activity centers, and destinations in the project area and Los Angeles County.

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

Sincerely,

Linda T. Sánchez Member of Congress

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