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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting community project funding for Foothill Transit Zero Emissions Bus Program in Fiscal Year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Foothill Transit, located at 100 S. Vincent Avenue, Suite 200, West Covina, CA 91790.

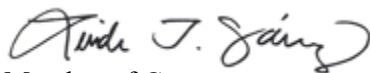
The funding would be used to replace 24 retirement-eligible compressed natural gas (CNG) buses with zero emissions buses. The deployment of zero emissions buses (ZEB) will continue Foothill Transit's delivery of cleaner, smarter transit service in one of the nation's most congested regions. Foothill Transit has one of the largest ZEB fleets in the nation thanks to its recent acquisition of 33 hydrogen fuel cell buses, two double deck electric coaches, and 16 single deck electric coaches. The Agency's ultimate goal is to deploy a fully zero emissions bus fleet to meet the requirements of the California Air Resources Board.

The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Foothill Transit's service area covers a population of 2 million residents and would improve their quality of life through traffic mitigation, cleaner air, and economic development throughout the region. Funding for zero emissions buses would enhance Foothills Transit services, including lifeline and mobility options, to several employment hubs, large universities, community colleges, medical care providers, and other vital resources.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

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

Sincerely,



Member of Congress