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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Re: Community Project Funding Request for the Monitor Street Safe Route to Schools Project

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Monitor Street Safe Route to Schools Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bakersfield, located at located at 1600 Truxton Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93301. The funding would be used to improve the 1.3-mile-long segment along Monitor Street from Merrimac Avenue (South High School) to Fairview Road. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these street improvements increase the safety and quality of life for these disadvantaged neighborhoods as well as build upon other new investments in southeast Bakersfield.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

David G. Valadao Member of Congress