Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Appropriations Committee 2207 Rayburn House Office Bldg Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 2413 Rayburn House Office Bldg Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Delauro,

I am requesting \$2,000,000 in funding for the Cedar Boulevard Complete Streets Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Newark, located at 37101 Newark Boulevard, Newark, CA 94560.

This funding will be used to resurface the pavement and provide for the construction of new bicycle and pedestrian facilities on a 2.2-mile segment between Stevenson Boulevard and Central Avenue. Cedar Boulevard is a critical arterial street that serves more than 16,000 roadway users each day and provides access to multiple residential neighborhoods and commercial areas. In addition to essential pavement resurfacing, separated bicycle lanes will be added over the project segment, all sidewalk gaps will be resolved, and improvements for transit users will be completed. This project is of very high importance to local taxpayers and would result in a significant improvement of safety conditions for the roadway. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves roadway infrastructure and safety consistent with federally authorized programs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding potentially being 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,

Ro Khanna

Member of Congress