Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,900,000 in funding for the Phase-2 Silicon Valley Hopper On-Demand Microtransit Shuttle project in fiscal year 2025. The entities to receive funding for this project are cities of Cupertino and Santa Clara, located at 10300 Torre Avenue Cupertino, CA 95014 and 1500 Warburton Ave, Santa Clara, CA 95050, respectively.

This funding will be used to extend and expand a low cost on-demand micro-transit shuttle project (also known as Silicon Valley Hopper) to serve those who live and work in the Cities of Santa Clara and Cupertino. The goal of the project is to continue the existing On-Demand Micro-Transit Shuttle Project and expand service into Santa Clara with a fleet of vehicles. The funding that is being requested would allow for an extension of the program for an additional two years, as well as expanded service into Northern Santa Clara. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports the development of transit consistent with federally authorized programs.

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

Sincerely,

Ro Khanna

Member of Congress