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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Boulder Creek Complete Streets Improvements project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission, located at 1101 Pacific Ave. Suite 250. The funding would enable support construction of sidewalks, curb extensions, center median islands and other traffic calming infrastructure, bike lanes, and transit stop enhancements within Boulder Creek, a rural mountain town with disproportionate traffic levels and high pedestrian fatality rates.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will reduce severe injury collisions involving pedestrians, support economic development, and improve pedestrian access to schools, businesses, parks, and residences.

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,

Jimmy Panetta Member of Congress