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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives H 307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

I am requesting funding for the Interstate 15/State Route 78 Managed Lanes Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive the funding for this project is Caltrans District 11, located at 4050 Taylor Street, San Diego, CA 92110.

The funding would be used for the construction of direct connectors between I-15 and SR-78, adding a westbound auxiliary lane between Nordahl Road and Woodland Parkway/Barham Drive, and three miles of new Managed Lanes on SR-78 between San Marcos Boulevard and I-15. The funding would be used for the design portion of the project.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because over the past 28 years, the corridor has experienced substantial residential and commercial growth. This economic development coupled with a lack of improved local connections, managed facilities, and travel options increase travel times and decrease mobility while straining the I-15/SR 78 interchange and local streets in the cities of San Marcos and Escondido.

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, nor does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting this important project.

Sincerely,

DARRELL ISSA Member of Congress