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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rose DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA/Metrolink)- Wireless Grade Crossing at Sylmar/San Fernando Station in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA/Metrolink) located at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1500 Los Angeles, CA 90017.

The funding would be used for to the installation of Wireless Grade Crossing Technology which would allow Metrolink to more precisely time the lowering and raising of nearby gates to coincide with actual train movement at the Sylmar/San Fernando Station. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide much needed upgrades to our rail infrastructure which will increase economic activity, improve quality of life and contribute to improved public safety.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 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,

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