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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, U.S. Capitol
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Griffith Park Improvements project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Los Angeles, located at 200 N Main Street, Suite 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The funding would be used for construction of six restrooms at varying locations within Griffith Park.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would provide a necessary public benefit to the over 10 million annual visitors the park receives every year. Additionally, the project will serve the entire City of Los Angeles population, as schools, after school programs, summer programs, and year round sports entities use the park. The large size of the park and its varying topography can make finding accessible restrooms difficult. The broader effort to increase the number of bathrooms in the park was initiated by the Proposition K Kids for LA Ballot measure, which requires the insertion of new restrooms at Griffith Park. The department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) has identified and prioritized the phasing for the restroom construction. The identified sites are the Greek Theatre Parking Lot, The Bird Sanctuary, Mineral Wells Picnic Area, Vermont Tennis Courts, Merry Go Round, and Bette Davis Picnic Areas. The requested funding would supplement current project funds to ensure that all six restrooms can be constructed.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Laura Friedman
Member of Congress