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Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

May 23, 2025

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Balboa Branch Library and Fire Station #1 Replacement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Newport Beach, located at 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660.

The funding would be used to remodel the Balboa Branch Library and Fire Station #1 to modernize the fire facility's response capabilities and the community library.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it would provide the community with a more accessible library and a more effective fire station. The Balboa Peninsula, where this project is located, is naturally isolated given its geography, so having a fully operational fire station is vital to the community, especially during the summer months when tourists flock to the beaches to enjoy the natural splendor of the City.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1) and 5305(a)(2).

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

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Dave Min

Member of Congress