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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 Sevier I-40 Interchange at Exit 408 - Alternative 1 Diverging Diamond with Loop in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tennessee Department of Transportation, located at 505 Deaderick Street, James K. Polk Building, Suite 700, Nashville, TN 37243. The funding would be used to support the right-of-way phase of a larger project to construct a new interchange for Interstate 40 in Sevier County. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will provide additional access to existing and planned tourist and commercial destinations.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress

Diana Harshbarges