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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations US House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$5,000,000 in Member directed Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Surface Transportation project funding in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tennessee Department of Transportation, located at James K. Polk Bldg., Suite 700, 505 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243. The Tennessee Department of Transportation has confirmed that they already have the requisite matching funds on hand for grant funding.

The funding would be used for an extension of Veterans Boulevard in Sevierville, TN.

The project is a good taxpayer dollars because this would better accommodate vehicular traffic traveling from Pigeon Forge to Sevierville and would provide an improved route for people traveling to regional destinations beyond the project area. Destinations include several tourist attractions, parks, and recreational areas of local and regional importance to both Pigeon Forge and Sevierville.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 23 USC 133(b) (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program).

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