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CHAIRWOMAN, SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC BUILDINGS,

April 29, 2022

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Standalone Solar Lighting for 500 Transit Stops in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada (RTC) and is located at 600 S. Grand Central Pkwy. Ste. 350 Las Vegas, NV 89106. This funding for solar lighting installation will provide lighting for bus stops in the Las Vegas Valley, including those located in disadvantaged areas. Because Las Vegas has industries that operate 24-hours per day, a significant amount of travel occurs during early morning or night hours without natural or other ambient light. Solar lighting is one of the most effective renewable energy sources that provides a reliable source of energy with very little maintenance required. During annual surveys, bus stop security is always a topic of concern for transit riders in our community. Enhanced lighting at transit stops will greatly improve the sense of security for passengers, allow riders to more easily identify bus stops, and assist drivers in recognizing individuals waiting for the bus. This increased safety measure for our passengers and operators will also contribute to meeting the renewable energy goals for the state of Nevada. Our unique weather is ideal for solar lighting. The sunny, desert climate in Southern Nevada, with limited cloud cover and very low precipitation presents little to no risk of being an inadequate source of solar energy. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Dina Titus

Member of Congress