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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio
Chairman
Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives

RE: Member Certification for Pleasant Grove Siding Passenger Rail Operational and Capacity Improvements Project

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I respectfully request funding (\$3,000,000) for the Pleasant Grove Siding Passenger Rail Operational and Capacity Improvements Project in the forthcoming surface transportation reauthorization. The project sponsor is California's San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRC). The project is located between 2902-2900 Catlett Road in Pleasant Grove, California zip code 95668.

The federal funding designated for this project would complete the project's environmental and design phases, with the SJRRC utilizing \$750,000 from the California State Transportation Agency's Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) as matching funds.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: improve transportation options for residents throughout the corridor; enable future Altamont Corridor Express (ACE) rail service expansion to the City of Marysville and Butte County, California; reduce freight-passenger train conflicts; increase passenger train speeds and reliability, and improve the on-time performance of the ACE service.

Pursuant to Clause 17 of House Rule XXIII and in accordance with the Committee's guidance, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Garamendi".

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress