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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro, Chair
The Honorable Kay Granger, Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

RE: Member Certification for San Francisco Bay Area WETA Project

Dear Chairman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I respectfully request funding (\$1,520,000) for the diesel ferry particulate filters project in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA), located at Pier 9, Suite 111, San Francisco, California 94111. While this local public agency is based in Speaker Nancy Pelosi's (D-CA12) district, these ferries will also serve residents of California's Third Congressional District in Solano County.

This project will install diesel particulate filters (DPF's) on two of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority's ferries currently under construction, which are an exhaust after treatment device that trap particulate matter such as soot. Each ferry has 4 engines and will require 2 DPF's per engine, meaning a total of 16 DPF's will be required. The Authority's newest vessels are the first passenger vessels in the country to achieve the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's tier 4 emission standard, the most environmentally advanced rating. It will also bring meet California's air emission reduction goals from the State's Commercial Harbor Craft Regulations.

The Community Project Funding would be used to install diesel particulate filters (DPF's), providing an 85 percent reduction in emissions of particulate matter. The vessels will operate on the Authority's routes across the Bay Area include the ferry terminals in San Francisco, Alameda Seaplane, Harbor Bay, Oakland and Alameda, Richmond, South San Francisco, and Vallejo. It is a responsible use of taxpayer funds for the aforementioned reasons.

Pursuant to Clause, 17 of Rule XXIII of the U.S. House of Representatives, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project or request. Thank you for your leadership and consideration.

Sincerely,

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

JOHN GARAMENDI
Member of Congress