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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Transportation Accessibility Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Near Northwest Management District, located at Near Northwest Management District 7603 Antoine Drive Houston, TX 77088. The funding would be used for Phase 1 activities consist of detailed design and environmental work for the entirety of the corridor, and construction of a portion of the project. The construction under Phase 1 would be for improvements at the intersections of Alabonson Road and W. Little York Road/Victory Drive and at the intersection of Alabonson Road and N. Houston Rosslyn Road (including a portion of Alabonson Road). Additionally The project proposes the installation of railroad crossing gates, raised median, sidewalks, signs and pavement markings at sixteen (16) crossings to establish railroad quiet zones in two communities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Phase 1 would be for improvements at the intersections of Alabonson Road and W. Little York Road/Victory Drive and at the intersection of Alabonson Road and N. Houston Rosslyn Road (including a portion of Alabonson Road). Additionally, Quiet Zones enhance safety and improve quality of life of residents within the community as well as all roadway users, including pedestrians and bicyclists, who will benefit from the safety and operational improvements..

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

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

Sincerely, Sheila Jackson Lee Member of Congress