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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the East Colfax Avenue Bus Rapid Transit – Safety Improvements in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City and County of Denver, located at 201 W Colfax Ave, Denver, CO 80202.

The funding would be used to construct safety elements for the 30-center-running Bus Rapid Transit stations along East Colfax Avenue. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would reduce travel time by up to 15 minutes and be accessible to over 94,000 households and 50+ schools, provide more reliable access to over 250,000 jobs and services, improve streetscapes and placemaking, contribute to economic revitalization and elimination of blight, and improve pedestrian safety.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with 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,



Diana DeGette
Member of Congress