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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Station LED Lighting Program in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this program is the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) District, located at 2150 Webster Street, 9th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612.

The funding would be used to support the materials and labor to replace fluorescent tubes with LEDs in nine BART stations in the East Bay: Coliseum, Downtown Berkeley, Fruitvale, Lake Merritt, MacArthur, Rockridge, San Leandro, Northern Berkeley, and West Oakland. This will reduce energy usage from station lighting by approximately 50%, contribute to increased public safety by improving the brightness and consistency of the lighting in stations, while also investing in BART's emergency lighting systems in the event of a major power outage or other emergency.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety and efficiency of the BART system and the customer experience for BART riders.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 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,

Lateefah Simon
Member of Congress