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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  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Adeline Complete Street and Ashby BART Transit Plaza in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Berkeley, located at 2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704.

The funding would be used to redesign and reconstruct Adeline sidewalks, including new landscaping and trees; to reduce the number of traffic lanes and reconfigure intersections; and to build a new pedestrian transit plaza adjacent to the Ashby BART station.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because in its current condition, Adeline Street is an un-activated: lacking trees, public art, streetscape features, and with limited bike lanes. The street size creates a concrete gulf that physically disconnects all the uses that surround it, including the Ashby BART Station and the Ed Roberts Campus, and the surrounding retail, historic buildings, homes, and cultural assets. Improving this street will ensure it serves as a critical connector for the surrounding community.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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