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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 Oakland-Alameda Water Shuttle Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Alameda located at 2263 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501.

The funding would be used to fund the design and purchase of a new electric vessel and shoreline charging infrastructure, ensuring the City of Alameda can maintain and expand a fast-growing transit service across the Oakland Estuary.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Oakland Estuary poses a complete barrier to non-automotive travel between Oakland and Alameda, leaving residents of both cities without a viable transportation alternative. A modern, higher-capacity vessel would meet demonstrated and growing ridership demand while providing Jack London District residents access to essential retail and Alameda residents a reliable connection to Bay Area Rapid Transit and regional transit. This investment supports mobility, economic revitalization, and long-term ridership growth in two underserved communities on either side of the Estuary.

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,

Lateefah Simon  
Member of Congress