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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the EV Buses Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), located at 10920 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90095. The funding would be used to expand UCLA's fleet of electric buses to help meet University System and State policies on sustainable transportation and enhance readiness for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic and Paralympic Games. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is designed to address critical environmental, operational, and community needs, positioning UCLA as a leader in sustainable public transportation. It will also benefit the global community during the Olympic games, and will continue to benefit both the campus and local community by serving their transportation needs well after the games are over.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Ted W. Lieu
Member of Congress