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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-4611**

April 27, 2022

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

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Appropriations Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

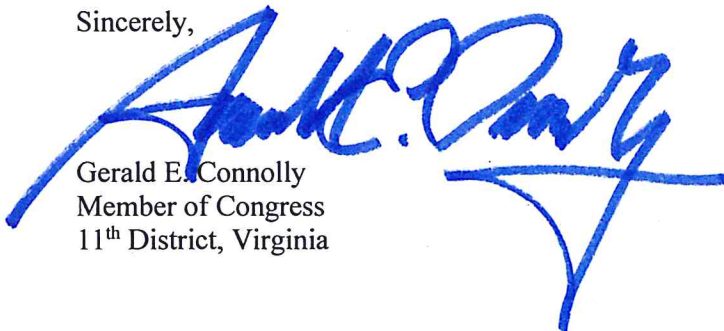
I write to respectfully request \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 funding for the Community Project, Envision Route 7 Bus Rapid Transit.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, 2300 Wilson Boulevard, Ste 230, Arlington, VA 22201.

This project will help complete all planning and environmental studies necessary to start design and construction of the Envision Route 7 Bus Rapid Transit, a project that will connect the diverse communities along the VA Route 7 corridor with high-quality, frequent transit service from Alexandria to Tysons, Virginia. Route 7 is already the second busiest bus transit corridor in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This BRT project will provide a reliable, affordable transportation option for communities along this corridor; provide a green transportation option that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help in the battle against climate change; reduce congestion along a key transportation corridor in Northern Virginia that is benefitting from significant economic development and investment; leverage a range of Commonwealth, regional, and local transportation funds; connect major employment centers (U.S. Department of Defense Mark Center, Bailey's Crossroads, Seven Corners, West Falls Church and Tysons); and further enhance a robust and growing transit system in Northern Virginia.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Gerald E. Connolly  
Member of Congress  
11<sup>th</sup> District, Virginia