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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the "Route 28, Route 29, and Stone Road Trail" in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Fairfax County Government, located at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035. The funding would be used for the project below.

Project: Route 28, Route 29, and Stone Road Trail

Recipient: Fairfax County Government, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035

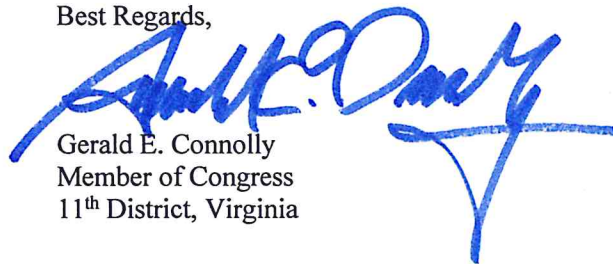
Amount: \$1,500,000

Justification: This project includes the construction of a trail from the I-66 interchange to an existing trail running along southbound Route 28, upgrading 800 feet of existing sidewalk to a shared use path (SUP) on the north side of westbound Route 29. It will also replace an existing sidewalk along the north side of Route 29. The I-66 corridor is an economically important area that is routinely congested. The Commonwealth of Virginia is currently undertaking the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway project, which will transform Northern Virginia's Interstate 66 into a multimodal corridor that moves more people, provides reliable trips, and offers new travel options. A component of this corridor in Fairfax County is this trail, which will provide more than 11 miles of connectivity from Gallows Road, Dunn Loring (just outside the Beltway) to Centreville. This project connects to some of the area's major regional trails, such as the W&OD Trail via Gallows Road, and provides improved mobility and travel choices. The project will enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety, accessibility, and connectivity in the local pedestrian network.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, 23 U.S.C. 133(b).

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

Best Regards,



Gerald E. Connolly
Member of Congress
11th District, Virginia