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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Verdugo Mountains Acquisition in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, located at 570 W. Avenue 26, Los Angeles CA 90065. The funding would be used to acquire the 240 acres of open space at the east end of the Verdugo Mountains from a single willing seller in an exceptionally accessible for trail recreation and ecologically rich area included in the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because acquisition of the 240 acres of open space provides a broad range of permanent public benefits, including open space, scenic area, recreational opportunities, and rich natural resources.

The project has a Federal Nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

Adam B. Schiff Member of Congress