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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting community project funding for the City of Sierra Vista; Buffalo Soldier Trail Reconstruction project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Sierra Vista located at 1011 N. Coronado Drive Sierra Vista, AZ 85635.

Funds will be used for the design and reconstruction of the Buffalo Soldier Trail (BST). This roadway is regionally significant and is critical to the community and the neighboring military installation for emergency response, commerce, and services. BST is a federally classified Minor Arterial Roadway connecting the State Highway System at two locations, State Route 90 and State Route 92. Phase I of this project was selected in the FY24 appropriations cycle and is currently moving forward in the process. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because this roadway serves as the gateway to the City of Sierra Vista and Fort Huachuca Army Installation with nearly 20,000 vehicles a day utilizing this roadway. Additionally, the opening of Emergency Medical Service (EMS) #4 in 2022 at BST and 7th Street significantly enhances emergency medical service time to Fort Huachuca and the surrounding area, with a portion of its construction funded through the Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP). This investment is further justified by positive community feedback, affirming the importance of the project and its contributions to supporting daily military operations and ensuring public safety.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under title 23 of the United States Code. Eligible projects are described under 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

Juan Ciscomani Member of Congress