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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Knowledge Corridor Positive Train Control project for fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, located at 10 Park Plaza, Suite 4160, Boston, MA 02116. The funding would be used for installing a positive Train Control system along the 49.5-mile corridor between Springfield, MA and Northfield, MA. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase safety along the corridor and enable the expansion of passenger and freight services along the line. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 of title 49 of the United States Code. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Richard E

Member of Congress