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## Congress of the United States **House of Representatives**

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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Sound Transit Ash Way Station project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Sound Transit, located at 401 S. Jackson St, Seattle, Washington 98104. The funding would be used for design of the Ash Way Station of the Everett Link Extension (ELE).

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because investments in high-capacity transit create more connections to more places for more people. When complete, the ELE project will provide 16.3 miles of new light rail service north from Lynnwood City Center to Everett Station adding six new stations. ELE will offer fast, reliable connections with projected travel times of 60 minutes from Everett to downtown Seattle and 33 minutes from Everett to Lynnwood and is expected to serve 37,000 — 45,000 riders by 2040.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 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,

Suzan K. DelBene Member of Congress