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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Zero Emission Bus Purchase in the Fiscal Year 2025 Transportation, Housing & Urban Development, & Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Montgomery County Department of Transportation, located at 101 Monroe Street, 10th Floor, Rockville, MD 20850.

If awarded, this funding would be used to purchase up to five new zero-emission buses to replace existing diesel or CNG buses that have reached the end of their lifecycle. This request supports the County's priorities to expand use of transit, grow its Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) network, and transition to zero-emissions vehicles by 2035. The bus purchase will enable the County to implement its bus network redesign and begin operations of a new BRT corridor on Veirs Mill Road, to be completed in FY28.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Trone".

David Trone
Member of Congress