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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Fire Station, Essential Resource Facility and Fire Apparatus Project in the fiscal year 2025 appropriations. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Chino Valley Independent Fire District located at 14011 City Center Drive, Chino Hills, CA 91709.

The Fire District responds and provides direct life safety and fire protection to over 3,000 acres, nearly 5 square miles, of federally owned lands operated and managed by the Army Core of Engineers. These sensitive open space lands are critical to the habitat and watershed for Southern California. As a result, to ensure protection over watershed lands, native species of grasses and brush are subject to the stresses of drought common to Southern California and pose a great threat to the community's citizens, homes, and businesses. The Fire District responds and manages many fires on these lands annually. In addition, the Fire District neighbors the Cleveland National Forest. This Fire Station will be essential to decrease the potential for fire spread from our direct protection lands into the Cleveland National Forest. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Young Kim

Member of Congress