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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for **Royal Oak Middle School Regional Park and Greening Project** in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the **City of Covina, located at 125 E. College Street, Covina, CA 91723**. The funding will be used to **transform approximately 40 acres of exterior space at Royal Oak Middle School to create a multi-benefit, joint-use recreation and sports park. The existing field lacks shade during extreme summer heat, incurs significant maintenance costs, and becomes muddy during rain events, leading to stormwater runoff on adjacent roadways. This project will benefit the community by developing enhanced multi-use athletic fields and courts, playgrounds, walking trails, over 400 new trees, and critical infrastructure improvements.** This is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because **this project will mitigate existing problems including water runoff and high maintenance costs, generate economic activity for the community and create a multi-use outdoor space for residents to enjoy.**

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in **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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr.
Member of Congress

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