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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations,  
Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing  
and Urban Development, and Related Agencies  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations,  
Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing  
and Urban Development, and Related Agencies  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the CapMetro Microgrid and Energy Storage Design Completion and Construction project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (CapMetro), located at 3100 East 5th Street, Austin, TX 78702.

The funding would be used to complete final design and initiating construction of microgrid and battery energy storage system (BESS) infrastructure across CapMetro-owned facilities in Central Texas. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it advances an active, design-stage capital project that directly supports the operational resilience of public transit serving Congressional District 37. Benefits include reduced transit operating costs through solar self-consumption, improved grid resilience and service continuity during outages and extreme weather events, new revenue streams from grid dispatch, and a replicable model for clean energy infrastructure across the region — with particular value for historically underserved communities in Central Texas.

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,

Lloyd Doggett