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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Memorial Park Connector South Project in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Uptown Houston District and the project is located in Houston, Texas, 77056.

The funding is designated to construct bicycle and pedestrian improvements to connect Memorial Park and the Uptown Houston District. The funding will allow for the construction of approximately 1.25 miles of improvements.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: The project improves safety for pedestrians and bicyclists by providing safe access into and through the Park. Between 2015 and 2019 there were four crash occurrences which could have potentially been avoided if this project were in place. The project improves transit access via connectivity to the adjacent Uptown Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system. This project is anticipated to generate approximately 303 new daily pedestrian users and 96 new bicycle users. The project will reduce what is a significant amount of vehicular congestion in and around Memorial Park. The project will include stormwater best management practices such as swales and pervious surfaces to best accommodate stormwater.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lizzie Fletcher".

Lizzie Fletcher
Member of Congress