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March 13, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
2207 Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Advance Union Station Preliminary Engineering and Design in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Oregon Department of Transportation, located at 355 Capitol St NE, Salem, OR 97301. The funding would be used to support engineering and design work needed to advance the renovation of Portland's historic Union Station, a 130-year-old passenger rail terminal that serves more than 800,000 travelers each year along the Amtrak Cascades line. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will prepare the station for major construction funding by completing final design and developing a phased implementation plan for full modernization of Union Station so it can continue serving growing Amtrak Cascades ridership.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 of title 49 of the United States code.

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

Sincerely,



Suzanne Bonamici
Member of Congress