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March 11, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$5,088,000 for the GoTriangle Bus Operations and Maintenance Facility – Paratransit Optimization and Modernization Project in Fiscal Year 2027 (FY27). The entity to receive funding for this project is the Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority (GoTriangle), located at 4600 Emperor Blvd. Suite 100, Durham, NC 27703. The funding would be used to optimize and modernize paratransit operations and maintenance at its Bus Operations and Maintenance Facility.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help GoTriangle provide reliable public transportation for elderly and disabled residents, many of which rely on it as their primary means of mobility. As GoTriangle aims to double its bus service by 2028, optimizing paratransit operations will ensure the transit-dependent population continues to be effectively served.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with 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,



Valerie P. Foushee  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS