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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

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May 10, 2023

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the "Fast Tracking Affordable Housing in El Sereno" project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, located at 2600 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90057. The funding would be used to rehabilitate homes currently occupying nine of properties acquired by HACLA from CalTrans and then construct new ADU's and Junior ADU's in the rear yards, as well as a triplex on one additional CalTrans vacant lot. HACLA hopes through this combination of rehabilitation and new construction to turn 10 properties into 31 new deeply affordable units for households at 50% AMI. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because historically, HACLA's Section 8 HCV holders wait an average of five years or more for a voucher and then find themselves stuck in a market where their voucher is continually turned down; leaving a wake of 40% of our Section 8 voucher holders having to return their vouchers to HACLA unused after 180 to 365 days out in the market searching desperately for housing. This funding would provide voucher holders access to homes rarely available to them.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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 blue ink that reads "Jimmy Gomez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jimmy" and last name "Gomez" clearly legible.

Jimmy Gomez  
Member of Congress