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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, The Capitol  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Los Angeles River and Northeast LA Peace Officer (Ranger) Protective Services project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority located at 570 W. Ave 26, Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA 90065. The funding would be used to fund a robust ranger/peace officer patrolling program throughout the Agency's park footprint in Northeast Los Angeles and along the Los Angeles River. This will decrease illicit activities in MRCA parks and open spaces which will increase community safety, wildfire resilience, and habitat protection.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the proposed ranger/peace officer funding will enable adequate patrol capabilities, which are an effective and efficient means of providing lasting public safety in MRCA parks and further protect citizens and public land. Populations from throughout Los Angeles visit these parklands and River at a high frequency year-round. The upcoming Olympic games will further increase the public usage of park visitors and the need for increased funding for public safety.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

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".

Jimmy Gomez  
Member of Congress