April 30, 2021

The Honorable David E. Price,
Chair
Subcommittee on Transportation, and
Housing and Urban Development, and
Related Agencies
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart,
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, and
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House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Price and Ranking Member Diaz-Balart,

As you begin your critical work on the Fiscal Year 2022 Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I strongly urge you to include $800,000 for the Town of Woodside to install bicycle and pedestrian safety improvement areas on State Highway 84, near Woodside High School, as a Community Project Funding request associated with the Department of Transportation account for Local Transportation Priorities.

State Highway 84, which is also known as Woodside Road, east of Interstate 280 to Alameda de las Pulgas is a picturesque stretch of highway near Woodside High School. The area is frequented by cars traveling at high speeds that impede the ability of bicycles to share the thoroughfare, even though the region is home to many who would otherwise commute via bicycle or use the area for recreational bicycling.

This request for funding would enable lane markings, physical buffers and barriers, and other traffic calming measures that make bicycling a more viable option for community members and students of Woodside High School who commute from Woodside and nearby communities. The reduction of cars on Woodside Road would also reduce the environmental impact of automobiles commuting daily.

As an indication of local support, I’ve enclosed a resolution unanimously adopted by the Woodside Town Council on March 23, 2021, in support of the project, in addition to seven letters from the following elected officials and community leaders:

• The Honorable Josh Becker, Senator, California State Senate
• The Honorable Don Horsley, Vice President, San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
• The Honorable Carlos G. Bolanos, Sheriff, San Mateo County
• The Honorable Brian Dombkowski, Mayor, Town of Woodside
• The Honorable Dick Brown, Vice-Mayor, Town of Woodside
• The Honorable Ned Fluet, Town Councilmember, Town of Woodside
• Ms. Diane Burbank, Principal, Woodside High School

I wholeheartedly support this Community Project Funding request and ask that you do so as well.

Most gratefully,

Anna G. Eshoo

Enclosures