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The Honorable Hal Rogers, Chairman Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Matt Cartwright, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Rogers and Ranking Member Cartwright,

As you begin your critical work on the Fiscal Year 2024 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I request that you include \$3,640,000 for the City of Pacifica and their Pacifica Pier Handrail Repair Project. This request for Community Project Funding is associated with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Coastal Zone Management account.

The requested funding will allow the City to repair the entire railing of the Pacifica Municipal Pier, a popular recreational area for fishing, crabbing, and sightseeing that attracts visitors from throughout our region and the United States. The pier is an important part of the local community, a landmark that supports recreational fishing and tourism which are critical to the City's economy.

In January of 2021, a combination of high tides and large waves damaged a forty-foot section of the Pacifica Municipal Pier's west facing deck and concrete railing. The City was forced to close a section of the pier where the railing broke off due to safety concerns, restricting access to this important community resource.

The City has listed the project on its Capital Improvement Program, contributed \$200,000 of its own funds toward replacing the railing of the pier, and importantly, has secured grants from two state agencies, the Department of Parks and Recreation and the California Coastal Conservancy. As a further indication of community support, I've enclosed letters of support from the following local elected officials and community leaders:

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- · Senator Josh Becker, California State Senator
- Former Supervisor Dan Horsley, County of San Mateo

If enacted, this request would provide a safer, more attractive, and more environmentally sustainable recreational area that supports the local economy and preserves an important part of the community's heritage, and it's why I wholeheartedly support this Community Project Funding request and ask that you do so as well.

Most gratefully,

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Enclosures