## Congress of the United States

## House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Ettrick Passenger Rail Station Improvements, Chesterfield, Virginia, VA-04 project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Virginia Passenger Rail Authority located at 919 East Main Street, Suite 2400, Richmond, VA 23219. The funding would be used to support planning funding to start the process of designing and constructing a new passenger rail station that will replace the obsolete and structurally deficient 1950s Ettrick station. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because a new Ettrick Train Station facility will serve not only the 30,000 passengers expected in 2023 but the two-fold increase in passengers expected from the doubling of service through Ettrick that will result from the development of the Richmond to Raleigh corridor segment. The project will also plan for a new third track and platform that will serve Amtrak trains now and in the future.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 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,

Jennifer L. McClellan Member of Congress

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