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NANCY WARD
DIRECTOR

March 29, 2023

The Honorable David Joyce Chairman
Subcommittee on Homeland Security
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC, 20515

Dear Chairman Joyce,

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) is the state administering agency for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) funding and is in receipt of a request from the City of Calimesa as part of the Fiscal Year 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending process. The City of Calimesa requests \$1 million to expand city services which includes construction of an additional fire station and an attached, though "standalone" EOC.

Cal OES believes this project will greatly benefit the local community and the resilience of the State. Typically, EOC grant projects are ranked and rated by Cal OES and submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for final award decisions. Due to the nature of this unique funding opportunity, Cal OES program experts have assessed that this project potentially meets the normal program qualifications. Cal OES' administration of this project will follow the same strict requirements, qualifications, and scrutiny as the traditional project selection and monitoring process.

An award for this project signifies an investment not only by the City of Calimesa and the State, but also by Congress. As Community Project Funding is determined legislatively, Cal OES encourages members representing the respective districts to closely follow projects that are implemented to meet congressional intent appropriately and ensure compliance with FEMA guidelines. Additionally, Cal OES requests that Congress include funding in the Fiscal Year 2024 appropriation legislation to cover state management and administration costs for all Congressionally Directed Spending.

Sincerely,

Nancy Ward
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Director

cc: Rep. Ken Calvert



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RE: Support Calimesa's FY24 Congressional Community Project Funding Requests

Dear Senators Feinstein and Padilla and Representative Calvert:

I write in support of the City of Calimesa's Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Funding request to Congress. The City is requesting congressional support for an Emergency Operation Center that will enhance and strengthen the public safety and quality of life of Calimesa residents.

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Sincerely,

Bruce Barton
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Emergency Management Department



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March 9, 2023

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In closing, thank you in advance for your support of the City of Calimesa's critical infrastructure project requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Davis".

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April 1, 2023

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RE: Support for City of Calimesa's Community Project Funding Request

Dear Senator Feinstein, Senator Padilla, and Representative Calvert,

I am writing to express my support of the City of Calimesa's application for Community Project Funding for the following:

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In closing, thank you in advance for your support of the City of Calimesa's critical infrastructure project requests.

I am proud to support this application and urge its award. The Calimesa Chamber of Commerce aligns with the goals of the City of Calimesa that will provide services for a growing region.

The City of Calimesa is experiencing significant residential and commercial growth and the existing facilities have become woefully inadequate to meet the City's needs.

For the above reason, I respectfully ask for your full consideration of the City of Calimesa's Funding application.

Sincerely,



Yxetian Gutierrez
County Supervisor



April 1, 2023

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Subject: Support of Grant Funding for the City Projects

Dear Senators Feinstein and Padilla and Representative Calvert:

On behalf of the officers and members of the Calimesa Chamber of Commerce, I am pleased to support the following projects in the City of Calimesa.

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For questions regarding this letter of support, please contact me directly at the Calimesa Chamber office (909) 795-7612 or email calimesachamber@gmail.com,

Sincerely,

Shea Choy

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President

Calimesa Chamber of Commerce

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February 24, 2023

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RE: Support Calimesa and Yucaipa's FY24 Congressional Community Project Funding Requests

Dear Senators Feinstein and Padilla and Representative Calvert:

I write in support of the City of Calimesa's Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Funding requests to Congress. The City is requesting congressional support for three critical infrastructure priorities that will enhance and strengthen the public safety and quality of life of Calimesa residents.

Project 1 - The County Line Road & Calimesa Boulevard Intersection Improvements:

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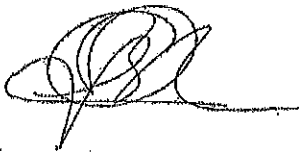
35,000 at build-out. Public Safety is a fundamental and necessary public service. An EOC will enable the City to provide its residents with the best possible public safety efforts.

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Thank you in advance for supporting the City of Calimesa's critical infrastructure project requests. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact my District Office at (909) 335-0271.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ROB', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

ROSILICIE OCHOA BOGH
Senator, 23rd District