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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Union Square Plaza and Streetscape Phase 1 Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Somerville, located at 93 Highland Avenue, City Hall, Somerville, MA 02143. The funding would be used to reconfigure the Prospect Street and Webster Avenue intersection and implement safe, accessible paths of travel to the Union Square Green Line station. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would update critical infrastructure, increase roadway safety, improve access to neighborhood businesses, promote economic development, and lead to the creation of good-paying jobs.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Ayanna Pressley  
Member of Congress