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Congress of the United States
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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Safety and Smart Technology Investments: Central City, Broadway project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Portland Bureau of Transportation and the project is located at NW/SW Broadway from SW Lincoln to NW Johnson, Portland, OR 97209, 97205, 97201.

The funding is designated for creating safer crossings, new streetlights, a protected bikeway, and smart traffic signals enabling cross street bus efficiency improvements from SW Lincoln to the Broadway Bridge, connecting the Old Town and the Pearl District neighborhoods to downtown and Portland State University.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: enhancing safety, improving transit speed and reliability, and connecting people to education and jobs while reducing racial disparities around safety and access.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Earl Blumenauer".

Earl Blumenauer
Member of Congress