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The Honorable Tom Cole  
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
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Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Santa Maria Simas Park ADA Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is located at 110 E. Cook Street, Santa Maria, CA 93454.

The requested federal funding will be used to help deliver critical accessibility and safety improvements at Simas Park and close a key gap in the surrounding pedestrian network. At the park, funding will construct ADA-compliant routes to ballfields, dugouts, and bleachers; install approximately 1,200 linear feet of reinforced concrete pathways with ramps, landings, and detectable warning surfaces; replace non-compliant bleachers with integrated wheelchair and companion seating; and relocate outfield fencing to enable accessible dugout access.

The project builds on existing public investments, responds to documented ADA compliance needs identified by the City, and is supported by a committed local funding match. The project represents a good use of taxpayer dollars because it fulfills a clear federal accessibility obligation, improves safety and mobility, and maximizes the value of an already heavily used public facility by ensuring it is accessible to all members of the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S.O. Carbajal".

Salud Carbajal  
Member of Congress