

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Palms Park Exterior Infrastructure Improvements Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lakewood, located at 5050 Clark Ave, Lakewood, CA 90712.

Palms Park, located in east Lakewood, includes a community center, ball diamonds, playgrounds, and picnic facilities. It serves not only Lakewood residents but also surrounding cities and school districts including Artesia, Cerritos, and Hawaiian Gardens. The park is perfectly situated in a working class neighborhood, with an elementary school immediately adjacent to the park on the east and a high school on the west. This project will address the much needed exterior infrastructure refurbishment of Palms Park, including park lighting, irrigation, hardscape and landscaping. The project is a good use of taxpayer resources because it will improve the usability, safety, and sustainability of the park, providing significant value to the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5).

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, appearing to read "Robert Garcia", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Garcia  
Member of Congress