

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the project named the "George Washington Memorial Parkway - Traffic and Safety Context Sensitive Solutions, Belle Haven Road to Belle View Boulevard" in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Fairfax County Government, located at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035.

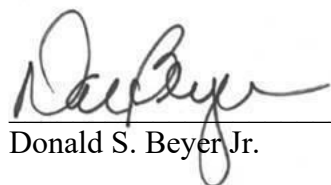
The funding will be used for safety improvements along the southern George Washington Memorial Parkway between Belle Haven Road and Belle View Boulevard. The project would include installing raised channel curbs with flexible delineator posts at each intersection to better separate traffic movements, guide vehicles into appropriate travel paths, and reduce conflicting turning and crossing movements. The project would also include upgraded mounted signage and supports; reflective thermoplastic pavement markings; enhanced traffic calming measures, including longitudinal rumble/mumble strips to reduce automobile speeds; and pedestrian hybrid beacons.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the community in and around the southern George Washington Memorial Parkway has demanded safety improvements to the roadway. In 2018, Congress authorized the George Washington Memorial Parkway: Traffic and Safety Context Sensitive Solutions Assessment (Assessment) to develop context sensitive solutions to enhance safety while maintaining the Parkway's scenic and historic character. This Assessment included a stakeholder team of transportation safety professionals, including NPS, Federal Highway Administration, Park Police, Virginia Department of Transportation, City of Alexandria, and Fairfax County. Input was solicited from elected officials, community groups (e.g., Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Inc.), the broader public, and advocacy groups such as the Friends of the Mount Vernon Trail. NPS has implemented some recommendations, such as road diets, sign changes, and some channelization of the roads at the Belle Haven Drive and Belle View Boulevard intersections, which have reduced accidents. However, local civic associations, the Mount Vernon Transportation Council, and the public at large continue to demand further mitigation efforts to reduce the danger at these intersections. This proposed project funding was developed in response to those demands.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely,



Donald S. Beyer Jr.