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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Increasing Food Access via Fleet Replacement & Expansion in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services, located at 1951 Bell Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838.

The funding would be used for replacing three aging gas-powered vehicles with electric vehicles and purchasing an EV refrigerated cargo van to expand food recovery and distribution to underserved communities. Serving over 320,000 people monthly, the organization operates 200 food distribution sites and partners with 110 agencies.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this fleet upgrade will enhance transportation for food deliveries, nutrition education, and food recovery efforts while aligning with clean energy goals, leveraging existing EV charging infrastructure through a partnership with SMUD, and reducing emissions in vulnerable neighborhoods.

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ami Bera".

Ami Bera M.D.  
Member of Congress