April 29, 2022

The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro                                      The Hon. Kay Granger
Chair                                                   Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations   House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol                   1036 Longworth H.O.B.
Washington, D.C. 20515                Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the below community project in fiscal year 2023 (FY23):

Name: Family E-Cargo Bike Lending Program
Amount Requested: $400,000
Recipient: Montgomery County Department of Transportation
Recipient Address: 101 Monroe Street, 10th Floor, Rockville, MD 20850
Purpose and Justification: Montgomery County will initiate an electric assist family
cargo bike borrowing pilot program. The MCDOT will purchase a fleet of electric cargo
bikes with a variety of configurations so that families can try and identify the bike that best
suits their family and lifestyle. The program will allow parents of kids in eligible schools
or residents in partnering community organizations to borrow a family cargo bike for a
defined trial period at no cost to the participants. MCDOT will collect and analyze
anonymized data on bike usage, survey program participants before and after, and collect
feedback from the community at-large. This pilot program will help MCDOT better understand
how electric cargo bikes are being used in place of auto trips. This pilot project will inform potential MCDOT’s future efforts and plans to assist low-income households
in accessing e-bikes. In providing access to an emerging low-cost and zero-emission
transportation option that can replace traditional auto trips, this project will support the
County’s efforts to combat climate change.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank
you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,

Jamie Raskin
Member of Congress