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The Honorable Steve Womack
Chair
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing
and Urban Development, and Related
Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing
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Dear Chairman Womack and Ranking Member Quigley,

I am requesting funding for the Roadway Improvements to SW 157 Avenue Project.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Miami Dade County located at 701 NW 1st Court, Miami, Florida 33136. This project will improve a major collector segment within Miami-Dade County (SW 157 Avenue) and will provide direct connection at the northern limit to the newly constructed Florida Department of Transportation improvements along the principal arterial roadway, SR 90/SW 8 Street, improving traffic capacity at this intersection. In the future, the SW 157 Avenue corridor is intended to continue across the Tamiami Canal and connect to the proposed SR 836 Southwest Extension/Kendall Parkway project to alleviate traffic congestion on the County and State Highway System. The project consists of widening the existing SW 157 Avenue roadway from two to four lanes from SW 42 Street to SW 8 Street. The improvements include new raised medians, sidewalks, curb and gutters, pavement marking and signage, intersection and signalization improvements, roadway lighting and a stormwater drainage system. It is a good use of taxpayer funds because it will provide for safety through the provision of proven countermeasures such as raised medians, crosswalk visibility enhancements, wider edge lanes, and improved pavement friction course. Increased mobility through road widening. Improved livability by providing an alternative route for commuters that currently cut through residential neighborhood roadways. Improved connectivity to transit and transit reliability via reduced delay in accessing the Tamiami Station Park-N-Ride.

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 blue ink, appearing to read 'Gimenez', with a stylized, flowing script.

Congressman Carlos A. Gimenez
Florida's 28th Congressional District

