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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting \$10 million in funding for the Bottineau Light Rail Transit Project in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Metropolitan Council and the project is planning to go through the following cities: downtown Minneapolis, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Robbinsdale, and Crystal.

The funding is designated for providing an extension to the existing Blue Line. The extended line would start at Target Field Station in Minneapolis, going northwest connecting many communities along the way and finally ending in Brooklyn Park.

The project is an appropriate use for taxpayer dollars as this project will serve some of the most economically and racially diverse communities in my district. This project would provide many benefits, improving the access to healthcare, education, and employment opportunities to the constituents of my district.

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

Sincerely,

Ilhan Omar Member of Congress April 20, 2021