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March 18, 2026

The Honorable Norma Torres
U.S. House of Representatives, Congressional District 35
3200 Inland Empire Blvd. Suite 200G
Ontario, CA 91764

RE: Assistance with Army Corps on Euclid Avenue Relinquishment from CalTrans

Dear Congresswoman Torres,

I am writing on behalf of the City of Chino to express our gratitude to you and your staff for your help, once again, in addressing an important federal issue for the City. We appreciate your office's timely assistance in helping resolve a concern related to the State Route 83 (Euclid Avenue) relinquishment process.

As you are aware, the City of Chino seeks to assume control of portions of Euclid Avenue within the City limits, a major north-south corridor currently owned and managed by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Transfer to the City will allow us to more efficiently manage, maintain, and upgrade the roadway to meet local transportation, safety, and economic development needs, particularly as we undertake improvements to support residents, commuters, and regional freight activity. It would eliminate redundant permitting requirements and enable faster implementation of infrastructure projects that support mobility, housing, and economic growth.

The relinquishment process is complex and lengthy, requiring coordination between Caltrans and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). The City was informed that the item could not be agendaized due to USACE's delay in processing a \$50,000 payment, caused by internal fund transfer issues, which prevented them from initiating the required license agreement and risked pushing the item off the March CTC agenda.

Your team's engagement with USACE was instrumental in facilitating the necessary communication and progress needed to keep this item on schedule for consideration by CTC. With assistance from your staff, USACE provided the needed communication, allowing the item to remain on the March 19-20 CTC agenda. We recognize that interagency coordination can often be complex, and your office's responsiveness and support made a meaningful difference in advancing this effort.



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This project is an important step for our community, and we are grateful for your partnership in keeping it on track. Please extend our thanks to your staff for their quick response, active engagement, and commitment to resolving the issue. We would not be where we are today, with the item pending approval, without your help.

In gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Linda Reich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Linda" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Reich".

Linda Reich
City Manager

cc: Chino City Council
Hye Jin Lee, Director of Public Works