

September 3, 2024

The Honorable Maria Cantwell  
United States Senate  
511 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Letter of Support for S. 4814 (Transportation Assistance for Olympic and World Cup Cities Act of 2024)**

Dear Honorable Senator Cantwell,

The City of Carson is proud to offer our full support for your S. 4814, the Transportation Assistance for Olympic and World Cup Cities Act of 2024. As you may be aware, the City of Carson will be a Venue City for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games occurring in and around Los Angeles. This bill, if enacted, would have a significant positive impact on the City of Carson, and we kindly request that the final version of the bill specifically mentions the City of Carson, along with other Venue Cities, to ensure we receive the necessary support and recognition.

Hosting large-scale international events like the Olympics and the World Cup will place considerable demands on local transportation systems. By providing \$50 million each year to states, local governments, transit agencies, and metropolitan planning organizations, this bill ensures that cities will be better equipped to manage the increased transportation needs. This funding will support essential projects that improve the movement of people and goods, which is vital for the success of these events and the well-being of our residents.

We also support the proposed directive for the Department of Commerce to conduct studies on the effects of these major events on the travel and tourism industry to better understand the benefits of such high-profile events. By examining changes in travel patterns, business revenues, and employment rates, the studies will provide valuable insights that can help cities and the nation better prepare for and leverage future opportunities.

For these reasons, the City of Carson offers our full support for S. 4814. Should you have any questions, please contact the City Manager's Office at [mgeorge@carsonca.gov](mailto:mgeorge@carsonca.gov) or 310-952-1731.

Sincerely,

Carson City Council