Dear Honorable [Insert Representative’s Name],

I am writing to you today to bring awareness to Project Astra – a nonprofit based out of Southern California who’s purpose is to eliminate poverty nationwide by the year 2040. Project Astra aims to do this by helping promote and/or create legislation that would get the Federal Government to commit 15% of the existing federal infrastructure budget to Opportunity Zones in order to lift up the approximately 15% of Americans currently living in poverty. As you are aware, the House passed The Moving Forward Act that now lives in the Senate – we believe it is time for America to invest in all Americans, and use part of that $1.5 Trillion Dollars to invest in Opportunity Zones.

 As of 2017, the Federal Government allocated $441 Billion dollars (adjusted for inflation as of 2019) to the Federal infrastructure budget to cover Federal, State, and local spending on infrastructure projects. Dedicating 15% of that to the above-mentioned underserved communities nationwide would mean that $66.15 Billion dollars would be spent on revitalizing the economies of various underserved communities. This is something that we at Project Astra believe would change the face of poverty as we know it, and ultimately lead to the elimination of poverty nationwide altogether.

 We are asking our elected leaders, such as yourself, to help us bring awareness to this movement and get this idea implemented in the form of the addition of legislative language to an existing bill or in the form of an entirely new piece of legislation.

Please join us in making this America’s future.

Sincerely,

[insert your name here]

In Support of Project Astra

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