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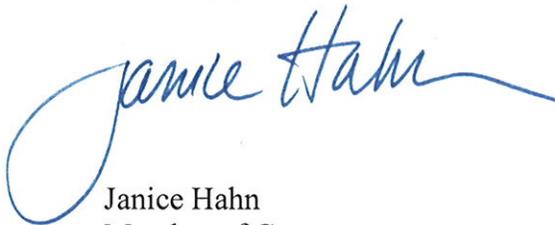
Dear Mr. Leahy,

Thank you very much for meeting with me earlier this month and discussing potential service disruptions for bus lines that serve low-income communities in South Los Angeles. I have been following the proposal closely, and I found the *Los Angeles Times*' February 27th piece on what that proposal could mean for the 305 line heartbreaking.

Although I know you mentioned there might be routes that are better than the 305, I would still like to ensure that people who rely on this bus service for their jobs and other essential transportation—including the security guards, house cleaners, students, and patients on their way to UCLA or Ceders-Sinai hospitals mentioned in the article—do not have to take multiple buses to reach their final destinations. The Angelinos who ride the 305 are hard working men and women who should not need to bend over backwards just to get home at the end of their day. They are exactly the people who need this service the most.

Though I understand that changes in service may be necessary in these tough economic times, please do not balance your budget on the backs of those who can least afford them. Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janice Hahn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning of the name.

Janice Hahn
Member of Congress