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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Austintown Kirk Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Austintown Township, located at 92 Ohltown Rd., Austintown, Ohio, 44515.

The funding would be used to enhance Austintown Township's capacity for economic development by expanding access to reliable sewer infrastructure. New sewer infrastructure will tie in 36 properties, reopen a local park, and open hundreds of acres to development.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because expanding housing options can strengthen the local tax base, attract families, and provide homes that support workforce retention and economic vitality.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under 42 U.S. Code section 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Michael A. Rulli