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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  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the US 224 Corridor Safety Enhancements Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Ohio Department of Transportation, located at 1980 W. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio, 43222.

The funding would be used to complete safety enhancements along the section of US Route 224 within Boardman Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, running from State Route 7 to the I-680 interchange.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the subject portion of road is one of the most dangerous in the state, averaging 400 crashes per year, and has been identified on the state's HSIP Segment and HSIP Intersection Priority List. This project will improve safety, increase capacity, and reduce congestion along a heavily traveled corridor that is currently experiencing a high level of existing and planned economic development.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under 23 U.S. Code section 133 (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program).

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

Sincerely,



Michael A. Rulli