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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Rosa De Lauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mount Vernon Adaptive Treatment Enhancements in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Mount Vernon, located at 236 S Main St, Mount Vernon, OH 43050. The funding would be used for extensive upgrades and improvements to the Mount Vernon Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), including in the remediation of widespread equipment and structural deterioration that create operational hazards. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve water quality and safety for residents by helping the plant comply with the binding Phosphorus Optimization Treatment Schedule included in the plant's Ohio EPA NPDES permit and increase the effective average daily treatment capacity of the facility from 3.2 million gallons per day to 4.1 million gallons per day to facilitate planned residential and commercial growth in the region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Troy Balderson
Member of Congress