May 1, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 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 Fredericktown Drinking Water Improvement Project in fy 2026. The entity to receive this funding is the Village of Fredericktown located at 2 East Sandusky Street, Fredericktown, Ohio, 43019. The funding would be used to replace 18,150 feet of 100-year-old, four-inch water mains with eight-inch PVC waterlines. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will improve capacity to help provide an adequate amount of safe drinking water for the village, reduce the frequency of leaks, and stabilize pressure and capacity for emergency services. This project will alleviate all inflow, infiltration, and leaking issues within the system main to maintain required safety standards.

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