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 McConnelsville Sewer line Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of McConnelsville, located at 9 West Main Street, McConnelsville, Ohio 43756. The funding would be used for the planning, design, and implementation of the relocation of sewer lines and lift stations along the Muskingum River that are subjected to inflow and infiltration during rain events. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because during periods of rain, the river level rises which results in massive amounts of river water mixing with raw sewage. This funding would be used so that the village's sewer system could operate at capacity during rain events, and the lift station pumps will not have to run continuously, saving local tax dollars and reducing electricity use.

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