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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

May 9, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
2207 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Gillett Road Bridge Removal, Regrading, and Road Replacement Project in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Monroe County Department of Transportation, located at 50 W. Main Street, Rochester, NY 14614.

The funding would be used to remove the aging bridge, fill and regrade the location, and construct a new road to replace the bridge. The proposed project would remove the bridge and the resulting void would be filled in with embankment and granular subbase up to subgrade level of the existing roadway. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this bridge is used daily by multiple school buses, as it connects school facilities that are located on both sides of the bridge. It is a route to the commercial district in the Village of Spencerport and also is used as a route by EMS providers to access part of the area that are north of the Erie Canal. It is a concern for fire safety, there are three properties located between the canal bridge and this bridge that have decreased fire and rescue access.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph D. Morelle".

Joseph D. Morelle
Member of Congress