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

March 27, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Buffalo Road Park Development Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Ogden, located at 269 Ogden Center Road, Spencerport, NY 14559.

The funding would be used for the development of a new public park at 3975 Buffalo Road to address the growing demand for recreational opportunities identified in the Town's 2024 Comprehensive Plan and Parks Plan. Extensive community engagement revealed a clear need for additional parkland and accessible outdoor amenities, particularly in the southeastern portion of the Town, which currently has no developed parks. The project site is a 41.5-acre Town-owned parcel that will become the first developed park in this area, filling a geographic gap in recreational access. The establishment of Buffalo Road Park will ensure that both current and future residents have equitable access to green space and recreational facilities, supporting the Town's anticipated housing growth. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the park will provide over 40 acres of green space where residents and visitors can enjoy the outdoors, benefit from physical and mental health advantages, and experience the peace and beauty of nature. By preserving open space, protecting wetlands, and maintaining natural habitats, the project also mitigates future flood risks. The project directly implements priorities identified in the Town's 2024 Comprehensive Plan and Parks Master Plan. Buffalo Road Park will be the first developed town park in this area, addressing a geographic gap in recreational access.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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 Morelle  
Member of Congress