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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 Accessibility Improvements at Potter Park and the Lion's Den Building in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Perinton, located at 1350 Turk Hill Road, Fairport, NY 14450.

The funding would be used to provide accessibility improvements to Potter Park and the Lion's Den Building. Improvements to Potter Park include expanding the parking lot and constructing dedicated sidewalks connecting visitors to park amenities including the playground, tennis courts, basketball courts, soccer field, and community garden. Additional inclusive features will include accessible shade structures near the playground and within the garden area, as well as ADA-accessible raised garden beds to allow individuals of all abilities to participate in community gardening. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Potter Park is a heavily utilized community asset that serves individuals and families of all ages through social programming, and community gatherings. The Lion's Den Building hosts a wide variety of municipal programs including youth camps, senior activities, teen programming, programs for individuals with disabilities, and community-driven events, making it an essential hub for public engagement. Many elements of the existing facility and surrounding park infrastructure were constructed decades ago and no longer fully meet modern accessibility standards or the expectations of today's residents. Public investment is necessary to address these deficiencies and ensure that individuals with mobility challenges, disabilities, and aging residents can fully access and participate in programs and park amenities.

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