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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,250,000 for the Revitalizing Carrier Mills Streets project in Carrier Mills, IL in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Carrier Mills, located at 101 N Mill Street, Carrier Mills, IL 62917.

The proposed project is to mill and repave multiple streets to improve traffic flow. The scope of work is to mill and repave the following highly traveled streets: Main Street, Oak Street, East End Street, Trammel Street and Washington Street. The work will consist of bringing sidewalks into compliance with the ADA and removing upheavals of pavement that have caused safety concerns with buses and passenger vehicles. The village will also repair storm water inlets and culverts. The village plans to also level some of the roadways to ensure that ice and snow removal can be done during winter.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. Revitalizing the main artery streets not only improves traffic flow, it also improves safety along these streets, as citizens are not attempting to avoid potholes and cracks. It also reduces wear and repair of the vehicles owned by the village and its citizens. In addition, repaving these streets will reduce maintenance to these streets. Currently, streets receive an oil and chip maintenance every 4 to 5 years and some major repairs are pushed off even further than that.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Mike Bost
Member of Congress