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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
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  
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Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$880,000 for Oak Street Road Rehabilitation in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Carbondale located at 200 S. Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, IL 62902.

The project consists of removing and resurfacing the asphalt/concrete road surface and replace with a new 3" layer of asphalt. In addition, existing curb and gutter will be replaced as needed and the project will ensure that all intersections have ADA compliant curb ramps.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funds. Oak Street is one of the original platted streets in Carbondale that bisects the community, beginning at Wall Street in the city's historically black neighborhood and extending through downtown to Springer Street which is located adjacent to Southern Illinois Healthcare's Memorial Hospital, the region's largest healthcare facility. Improving this road will benefit residents, many of them from a historically disadvantaged neighborhood, by improving access to critical healthcare facilities, schools, recreational amenities, and jobs.

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

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

Sincerely,



Mike Bost  
Member of Congress