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The Honorable Peter DeFazio Chairman House Committee on Transportation 2164 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves Ranking Member House Committee on Transportation 2164 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Spotsylvania Street Improvements Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Tyler Liefer and the Village of New Athens, and the project is located at 905 Spotsylvania Street, New Athens, Illinois 62264.

The funding is designated for the project that plans to remove the existing asphalt surface of Spotsylvania Street, and replace with two asphalt lifts. The Village then plans to place aggregate wedge shoulders throughout the project. The Village will also place curb and gutter on the shoulder at the steeper grade of the project to prevent erosion. The total project length is 4,690 feet.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. Spotsylvania Street is a connection point to an agricultural supply infrastructure. Spotsylvania Street also directly accesses the recreational sites along the Kaskaskia River, the marina/campground, and the Okaw Valley Park. New Athens Community Unit School District 60 houses the elementary, junior high and high school just one block off Spotsylvania Street. Village Hall, the police station, and the fire protection district all are located on Spotsylvania Street. All in all, the condition of Spotsylvania Street effects the whole town and its visitors.

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

Sincerely,

Mike Bost

Member of Congress

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