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May 20, 2025

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 \$1,329,760 for the Flora West Side Transportation Improvement Project in Flora, IL in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Flora, located at 131 E. Second St., Flora, IL 62839.

The proposed project will mill and resurface the two main roadways on the west side of Flora. Camelia Road connects Old Rt. 50 to new U.S. 50 to the north. Old U.S. 50 is the main east-west road through Flora. These roads were resurfaced many years ago and have reached the end of their design life. The base of the roads has failed in areas, and the surface deteriorated resulting in a rough riding surface. This project will patch and repair the existing base where needed and resurface the roads.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. As high traffic roads in Flora, resurfacing and repairing these roads where needed will help reduce the wear and tear on vehicles driving on these roads, ensuring a smooth and safe way to get through the town. It will also decrease the amount of time and money needed to maintain these roads for many years to come.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 23 USC 133. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Bost

Member of Congress

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