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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 \$1,639,500 for the City of Golconda Levee Pumping System Rehabilitation project in Golconda, IL in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Golconda, located at 118 North Monroe St, Golconda, IL 62938.

The proposed project will address deficiencies in the City's levee systems by upgrading their pumping systems and addressing issues noted by the US Army Corp of Engineers during previous Periodic Inspections. The project will consist of repairs to the levee piping system and upgrades to the three pump stations in the city.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. The project will benefit the community by protecting it from flooding events when the river is at flood stages. During floods, the physical health of the community is at stake, as well as homes, businesses, and critical public works systems. A breach in any part of a levee system also has ramifications further downstream, and in the floodways surrounding the failure. To maintain control over the river, taxpayer dollars are required to help the city maintain its defenses.

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