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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 funding for the Bonner Street Multimodal Revitalization Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Ruston, located at P.O. Box 2069 (401 North Trenton Street), Ruston, LA 71273.

The funding would be used to construct and rehabilitate the degraded subsurface utilities with new water, sewer, and drainage infrastructure while improving all multimodal transportation options along Bonner Street. Additionally, the project would reconstruct a roadway with 12' travel lanes and build an 8' to 10' wide multiuse path on the west side of the roadway and a 5' wide sidewalk on the east.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will improve traffic flow by providing a shorter and more efficient route, increase pedestrian safety, and revitalize a critical thoroughfare in downtown Ruston.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Julia Letlow, Ph.D.

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