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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Montauk Highway Bridge Replacement project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Suffolk County Department of Public Works, located at 335 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, NY, 11980.

The funding would be used for construction of the County Road 80 bridge replacement over Long Island Rail Road (Hampton Bays Overpass) due to its deteriorated condition and structural deficiencies.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the new bridge will improve safety and accessibility. Additionally, CR80 is a coastal evacuation route for Long Island. CR80 is a vital roadway serving residents, contractors and vendors. A large amount of summer traffic generated by vacationers to the East End utilize this bridge.

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

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Nick LaLota

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Member of Congress