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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am writing to request \$7,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2027 Community Project Funding for the Town of Huntington Townwide Street Resurfacing and Drainage Improvement Project. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Huntington, located at 100 Main Street, Huntington, New York 11743.

The funding would be used for a townwide roadway resurfacing and drainage improvement initiative to address deteriorated local roads, particularly in areas experiencing recurring roadway ponding and localized flooding. By rehabilitating damaged roads and improving drainage along those corridors, the project would improve roadway safety, reduce flooding-related hazards, and strengthen the long-term reliability of transportation infrastructure relied upon by residents, businesses, school transportation, and emergency responders.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because safe, reliable roads and effective drainage are essential to neighborhood stability, public safety, and local economic activity. Resurfacing deteriorated roads and correcting drainage deficiencies will make travel safer and more dependable for residents, first responders, school buses, service providers, and local businesses. The drainage component will also help reduce roadway flooding and ponding that can damage infrastructure, disrupt traffic, and threaten nearby homes and businesses during heavy rain events. Federal investment is warranted because the Town's roadway and drainage needs are widespread, exceed available local resources, and will become more costly to address if left unresolved.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. § 5305(a)(2), which authorizes the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation of public works, facilities, and site or other improvements. The resurfacing of deteriorated roadways and installation of drainage improvements constitute the reconstruction and improvement of essential public infrastructure that supports a suitable living environment, neighborhood stability, and local economic activity, consistent with the goals of the Community Development Fund.

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

Sincerely,



Nick LaLota
Member of Congress