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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Village of Waverly, Ohio, Drinking Water System Meter Modernization in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Waverly, located at 201 W North Street, Waverly, Ohio 45690.

The funding would be used to modernize a critical component of the Village's municipal drinking water distribution system by replacing approximately 2,180 aging mechanical water meters with a modern Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system serving all residential and commercial customers throughout the community. The proposed AMI system will provide automated meter readings, real-time usage monitoring, and systemwide data collection capabilities. This will allow the Village's Water Department to identify leaks, abnormal consumption patterns, and potential waterline failures.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds, as a modern AMI system will allow the Village to monitor water usage and system conditions in real time. This improved monitoring capability will enable the Water Department to detect leaks and abnormal consumption patterns much earlier, helping prevent large-scale water loss and infrastructure failures. By improving system monitoring and reducing water loss, the project will strengthen the long-term reliability and financial sustainability of the Village's water utility. It will also reduce the labor and operational costs associated with manual meter reading and reactive maintenance.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,



Congressman David Taylor
Ohio's Second Congressional District