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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Willowbrook Road Design and Construction Phase 2 in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Winter Haven, located at 451 Third Street NW Winter Haven, FL 33881.

The funding would be used to construct a new roadway corridor on State Road 544, one of the region's key transportation routes in rapidly growing Polk County. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will reduce congestion while improving connectivity and supporting Winter Haven's long-term transportation goals.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



C. Scott Franklin
Member of Congress