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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0915

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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$7,500,000 in funding for the extension of Powerline Road in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Polk County located at 330 W. Church St., Bartow, FL.

The funding would be used to develop a new alignment of Powerline Road from E. Hinson Avenue in Haines City south to Scenic Hwy 17 in Dundee. This project will provide an alternate route to Hwy 27 for local traffic. Moving local traffic to an alternative roadway creates more capacity on Highway 27 to move commerce through this area. This project is included in the Polk County Transportation Planning Organization's Long Range Transportation Plan and the FDOT Hwy 27 Mobility Study.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program.

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