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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,000,000 in funding for the FDC Grove Road/Northridge Trail Flyover 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 construct a bridge/flyover I-4 west of US 27 to connect FDC Grove Road to the Northridge Trail. This project will allow local traffic to bypass that interchange by moving local north/south traffic on a route parallel to US Highway 27. Moving local traffic to an alternative roadway creates more capacity on US Highway 27 for the movement of commerce through this area. Polk County will construct a bridge flyover to improve the regional supply chain by alleviating traffic congestion at the Interstate 4/US Highway 27 interchange.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is for purposes authorized in 42 USC 5305(a)(2) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 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

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