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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the McAlpine Shoreline Protection Phase II in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Army Corps of Engineers, located at 600 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Pl, Louisville, KY 40201.

The funding would be used for engineering design, construction documentation, bank stabilization studies, and preliminary engineering plans to advance the McAlpine Shoreline Protection project. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has acknowledged its role in causing erosion along the Clarksville, Indiana shoreline through operations at the McAlpine Locks and Dam, making this a federal responsibility; investing in stabilization protects public infrastructure, nearby roads, and community assets along the Ohio River and avoids far more costly emergency repairs following floods or bank failures.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 9 of the Flood Control Act of 1946 (33 U.S.C. 701q).

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

Sincerely,



Erin Houchin

Member of Congress