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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  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Town of Versailles Sanitary Sewer Improvements in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Town of Versailles, located at 128 N Main Street, Versailles, IN 47042.

The funding would be used for wastewater treatment plant expansion and rehabilitation, Saw Mill Lift Station force main and lift station upgrade, Graham Creek and Tepe Lift Station rehabilitation, manhole rehabilitation, sanitary sewer rehabilitation and replacement, and final engineering and design. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Town's 25-year-old treatment plant and aging lift stations are experiencing bypass events and environmental permit violations with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management; without these upgrades, utility rates could increase for residents, many of whom are on fixed or low incomes; investing now stabilizes rates, protects waterways, and ensures reliable service for decades.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by it is for the purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1381 et seq.

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