Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-2201

March 24, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the East Bay & Acme Townships' Sewer Force Main Replacement and Improvement in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the East Bay Township located at 1965 N. Three Mile Road Traverse City, MI 49696

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will solve today's problem of a corroded sewer line with no redundancy and offers a solution where the same problem will not occur again in the future. By installing a parallel line and treating the current line with cured-in-place-pipe technology which forms a renewed sewer line, wastewater can rerouted as needed allowing proper maintenance and servicing as required. Taxpayers are well served with a solution which imparts best practices in infrastructure, lasts decades and more, and protects the Mitchell Creek Watershed, the Boardman Lake and the East Arm of Grand Traverse Bay. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for 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,

Jack Bergman

Member of Congress