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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Village of Illiopolis Wastewater Infrastructure Modernization in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Illiopolis, located at 302 5th Street, PO Box 299, Illiopolis, IL 62539. The funding would be used for upgrading key lift stations and replacing aging pumps, motors, and control systems at the village's wastewater treatment facility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase reliability, reduce the risk of unsanitary sewage overflows, and ensure long-term regulatory compliance.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nikki Budzinski".

Nikki Budzinski  
Member of Congress