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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Washington, DC 20510

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Fall River's Columbia Street Parklet and Streetscape Rehabilitation Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the city of Fall River, located at 1 Government Center, Fall River, MA 02722-7700.

The funding would be used for the acquisition of a parcel of underutilized land in the heart of Fall River's socioeconomically disadvantaged Downtown historic district to rehabilitate it into a free, accessible, and convenient dedicated space for outdoor recreation and community-building public programming and events. This request will be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will increase Fall River residents' access to green space, thereby improving the health, wellbeing, and overall quality of life for one of the Commonwealth's most systematically disadvantaged communities.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

J. H.a.

JAKE AUCHINCLOSS Member of Congress