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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Mill Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Maintenance Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Rock Island, located at 1528 3rd Ave, Rock Island, IL, 61201. The funding would be used to repair, improve, and update various piping, equipment, operating equipment and controls, biogas generator and the Plant's digesters. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve the plant's ability to treat wastewater efficiently, restore treatment capacity, reduce operational costs, and improve its resilience and sustainability. These improvements would bring the plant up to useable condition to meet current standards and codes for the citizens of Rock Island and servicemembers at the Rock Island Arsenal who use these systems.

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 the project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Eric Sorensen Member of Congress