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9TH DISTRICT, OHIO

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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

It is a pleasure serving with you on the Committee on Appropriations, I value your leadership. I am requesting funding for the Chessie Trail Buildout in Wood County, Ohio, in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Wood County Port Authority located at 639 S Dunbridge, Suite 2, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402. The project is located between Perrysburg and Rossford, Ohio, in northern Wood County in the 9<sup>th</sup> District. The funding would be used to extend the Chessie Circle Trail by constructing 2.37 miles of 16 ft wide multi-use trail, a connecting path into the Knight Nature Preserve, trailheads, wayfinding and interpretive signage, and trail amenities in northern Wood County. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the long-planned Chessie Circle Trail is a major north/south backbone connecting schools, parks, healthcare facilities, workplaces and commercial areas in Lucas and Wood counties and links to local, regional and statewide trail systems.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcy Kaptur".

MARCY KAPTUR  
U.S. Representative