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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Chessie Circle Trail Pedestrian and Bike Land Bridge, City of Toledo, Ohio, Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments, located at 300 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr, Suite 300, Toledo, OH 43604. The funding would be used for (1) preliminary engineering for a bike and pedestrian bridge across the Maumee River on the Chessie Circle Trail Corridor to connect communities between Toledo/Lucas County and Perrysburg Township/Wood County; and (2) construction of the section of the Chessie Circle Trail on the Wood County side of the Maumee River from River Road to Bates Road. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide another source of transportation and recreation to the region, expanding disadvantaged communities' access to job opportunities, educational opportunities, and housing options. Further, the project is a top priority for the Chessie Circle Trail Coordinating Committee and TMACOG and will fulfill a commitment to repurpose the rail corridor after removal of an obsolete railroad bridge.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b) (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marcy Kaptur".

MARCY KAPTUR
Member of Congress