Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, **DC** 20515

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The Honorable Chairwoman Granger Chairman, House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Ranking Member DeLauro Ranking Member, House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Alum Creek Drive project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Franklin County Engineer, at 5238 Alum Creek Drive, Groveport, OH 43125. The funding would be used to widen Alum Creek Drive roadway with a third through lane in each direction between State Route 317 (London-Groveport Road) and Groveport Road. This equates to a project length of 2.7 miles. Pedestrian facilities (5 foot concrete sidewalk and a 10 foot asphalt shared use path) will be installed as well. The two bridges over Big Walnut Creek will be replaced.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Alum Creek Drive project achieves the goals of safe and efficient movement of people and goods while supporting economic development. This project also promotes public/private partnerships. This project includes collaboration between the City of Obetz, the Franklin County Engineer, private developers, and the Franklin County Transportation Improvement District. As the area around the Rickenbacker International Airport / Norfolk Southern Intermodal Terminal continues to experience growth, projects such as this will be essential to effectively accommodate development across the multiple jurisdictions in southeast Franklin County. The project has a Federal nexus because of the funding provided for purposes authorized by Section 23 USC 133(b). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Mike Carey Member of Congress