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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Andy Harris
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
Development and Food and Drug
Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sanford Bishop Jr.
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
Development and Food and Drug
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U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Harris and Ranking Member Bishop Jr:

I am requesting funding for the Reservoir Park Restoration Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Massillon located at 151 Lincoln Way East, Massillon, OH, 44646. The funding would be used for the comprehensive restoration of Reservoir Park's vital ecological features, namely the stream, pond, and pumphouse infrastructure. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project addresses deteriorating infrastructure, tackles the ongoing issues of soil erosion, soil health, water supplies, and water quality, restores an ecological wildlife habitat, and reduces damage caused by floods.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized by the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

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

Sincerely,



Emilia Sykes
Member of Congress