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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,000,000 in funding for the East Copley Road Corridor in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Akron located at 166 S. High St. Akron, OH, 44308. The funding would be used to address transportation needs and safety concerns in a key area for Akron's emerging economic and neighborhood development priorities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project identifies specific safety issues and recommends evidence-based countermeasures to address the City's High Injury Corridor while meeting the needs of a community that has been historically underserved and is struggling to maintain businesses.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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