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

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Lake Anna Park Revitalization Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Barberton, OH, whose offices are located at 576 West Park Avenue, Barberton, OH 44203. The location of this project is 615 W. Park Ave, Barberton, OH 44203. The City of Barberton would use this funding to construct a new Community Center in the City's Lake Anna Park. The funding is a good use of taxpayer funds because it will increase the usage of Lake Anna Park by those who live, work, and conduct business in and around Barberton. In addition to serving as a hub for outdoor recreational opportunities and activities, the project will further connect this vital community resource to the nearby north-south Towpath Trail, and developing east-west Silver Creek Trail, thereby connecting local neighborhoods and neighboring cities into the heart of the city. This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S. Code Section 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely

Emilia Strong Sykes Member of Congress