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May 21, 2025

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 \$2,250,192.16 million in funding for the Reservoir Park Restoration Project in fiscal year 2026. 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.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and 5305(a)(5).

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