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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 \$1.2 million in funding for the Rosemont Preserve project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Fairlawn located at 3487 Steiner Smith Road, Fairlawn, OH 44333. This project will restore over 9,000 linear feet of Schocalog Run's stream channel, 30 acres of flood controlling wetlands, and remove one low head and one 10-foot high dam, while also including trail and boardwalk construction for increased public access. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will help with flooding in communities downstream from Fairlawn throughout the Muskingum Watershed while also improving the flood capacity of Copley Township, City of Barberton, City of Akron, and the City of Green.

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

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