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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman **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 the East 115th Street Sewer Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Cleveland, Division of Water Pollution Control, located at 12302 Kirby Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44108.

The purpose of this project is to improve the capacity of the existing combined sewer system by replacing approximately 1,200 feet of existing combined main sewer with a larger main sewer. The Division of Water Pollution Control (WPC) will perform full-time inspection of the new sewers during construction. At the completion of construction, WPC will televise the new sewers to confirm the pipe condition.

The existing sewer was built in 1916 to service a residential and commercial neighborhood. This neighborhood consists of approximately 60 houses with approximately 8-acre tributary area. The sewer pipe is structurally deteriorating and has multiple cracks and collapses that causes the system to fail, thus decreasing sewer capacity and leading to frequent basement and street flooding. By improving and upgrading the existing sewer system on East 115th Street, the capacity of the sewer will be increased. Therefore, alleviating basement and street flooding.

The project will help meet or maintain Clean Water Act/Safe Drinking Water Act standards as it will reduce risk to the public health and environment by alleviating basement and street flooding.

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

Sincerely,

Member of Congress