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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,000,000.00 in funding for the Borough of Fairview Sewer Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of Fairview located at 59 Anderson Avenue Fairview, NJ 07022.

The Borough of Fairview Sewer Improvement Project would fund critical infrastructure improvements to the storm drainage and sanitary sewer systems. The project will replace aging and undersized sanitary sewers storm drains with upgraded ductile iron sanitary sewer pipes and reinforced concrete storm sewer pipes, as well as the installation of new manholes, storm inlets, and curb reconstruction and ensure individual properties are safely connected to the upgraded systems. The project enhances the hydraulic capacity of downstream systems and improves the conveyance of both stormwater and sanitary flow by reducing backups, pollutant backflow and discharge, creating a cascading benefit that improves drainage performance in upstream neighborhood and ensures that the filtering of stormwater to preserve the safety of local water supplies.

The proposed project is a good use of taxpayer funds because it directly benefits residents of Fairview and the broader New Jersey 9th Congressional District safeguarding public health and improving environmental protection by mitigating the risk of untreated sewage backflow into homes and streets, protect water quality, and provide much-needed resiliency improvements for a densely populated urban area.

The Borough of Fairview is able to meet the minimum 20% cost share requirement under the EPA Drinking Water State Revolving requirement.

The project complies with the federal nexus, as the project is clean water found within the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1383(c) (Section 603(c)(1) of the Clean Water Act).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nellie Pou". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "N" and "P".

Nellie Pou

Member of Congress

9th Congressional District of New Jersey