March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding in fiscal year 2024 for the City of Belvidere Appleton Road Grade Separation. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Belvidere, 401 Whitney Blvd, Belvidere, IL 61008.

The funding will be used for the design and engineering required for construction of a grade-separation structure over two existing Union Pacific Railroad at-grade crossings along South Appleton Road in the City of Belvidere, Illinois. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow expansion of the nearby manufacturing plants and improve safety for emergency vehicles and commuters using this road.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in section 22907 of title 49, United States Code.

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

Sincerely,

Bill Foster
Member of Congress