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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Staples Mill Road Sidewalk Improvements in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Henrico County, VA, located at 10501 Staples Mill Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

The funding would be to create a safe, continuous pedestrian route on Staples Mill Road (Route 33) by installing missing sidewalk links between the Glen Allen – Henrico County Public Library, Glen Allen High School, and residential communities. These critical sidewalk connections will improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, reduce exposure to a high-speed arterial roadway, and enhance access to key community resources.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it improves safety and access for pedestrians and active transportation users. This segment has experienced numerous pedestrian injury crashes at a higher rate than the statewide average for similar roadways, emphasizing the critical need for targeted safety interventions. This funding will provide a cost-effective and highly impactful opportunity to advance safety, accessibility, and community connectivity along this important roadway corridor.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely,

Robert J. Wittman

Member of Congress