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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
Washington, DC 20515

March 20, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D. C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **Community Water Main Replacement Project** in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Des Plaines, located at 1420 Miner St. Des Plaines, IL 60016.

The funding would be used to replace aging drinking water infrastructure, reducing the risk of leaks, breaks, and service disruptions while improving system capacity, water pressure, and fire flow. The upgrades will benefit approximately 2,200 residents, including 1,800 students, while ensuring safe, reliable, and resilient drinking water service and protecting public health.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it invests in critical drinking water infrastructure that protects public health, prevents costly system failures, and ensures reliable service for residents.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by **Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.**

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

Sincerely,



Delia C. Ramirez  
Member of Congress