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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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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 **Sanitary Sewer Main Lining Rehabilitation 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 rehabilitate aging sanitary sewer infrastructure through trenchless sewer main lining and targeted inflow and infiltration (I/I) reduction to improve system capacity and performance. By reducing groundwater and stormwater intrusion into the sewer system, the project will help prevent overflows, protect water quality, and ensure reliable wastewater service for the community.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will reduce infiltration and improve system capacity, protects public health, safeguards water quality, and ensures long-term reliability while saving money over time.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by **Title VI of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq, under Section 603(c) for CWSRF (5)**.

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