The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for a sanitary sewer project in Harrison Township, Michigan in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Harrison Township, located at 38151 L’Anse Creuse, Harrison Twp., MI 48045.

Harrison Township is uniquely located on the shores of Lake St. Clair, with the Clinton River running through the center of the community. The majority of the residents are connected to the regional sanitary sewer system, but there are approximately 500 homes in the center of the township that are serviced by individual septic sewer systems. These septic systems are subject to failure, which leads to sewage leaching from the septic field into the storm drainage system. All of the storm drains in the township flow out to the Clinton River or Lake St. Clair, so these failing septic systems lead to Great Lakes water pollution. Harrison Township recently approved $55,000 in engineering services to prepare plans for sanitary sewers for this neighborhood.

This project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would significantly improve water quality for Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes for many generations to come. Harrison Township anticipates an overall construction cost of $6 million (including engineering and contingency funds) and would welcome any portion of that cost to be funded by this program. Harrison Township is prepared to apply for low interest loans and possibly even grants from the State of Michigan to help fund the construction of these sanitary sewers. The Township also anticipates using the Special Assessment process to facilitate the resident’s participation in a portion of the project costs.

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

Sincerely,

Lisa McClain  
Member of Congress