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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting community project funding for Thatcher 1st Avenue Widening Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Thatcher, located at 3700 W. Main Street, Thatcher, AZ.

The funding would be used to reconstruct and widen 1st Avenue from Eagle Drive to Quail Ridge. 1st Avenue is a key north-south roadway corridor through the Town of Thatcher and Graham County. 1st Avenue between Eagle Drive and Quail Ridge is a narrow two-lane road with no shoulders, curbing, or sidewalks. Steep drop-offs, a canal crossing, and a railroad crossing make it unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists. The project will improve approximately 1.3 miles of roadway with one lane in each direction, a center turn lane, bicycle lanes, and an ADA compliant sidewalk. Improvements will include a new canal crossing, a widened Arizona Eastern Railroad crossing, and necessary utility relocations. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as it improves safety, increases capacity, and provides economic stability along one of the district's transportation corridors.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by title 23 USC 133, as amended by title III of division A of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Ciscomani', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Juan Ciscomani
Member of Congress