

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Town of Leland's Basin Street Extension Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Town of Leland located at 102 Town Hall Drive, Leland, NC 28451. The funding would be used to complete the design and pre-construction work for the extension of Basin Street from Old Fayetteville Road to Village Road.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the benefits of this project will create connectivity of multiple neighborhoods, including a high school, in an Area of Persistent Poverty in Leland, North Carolina. Currently, North Brunswick High School is isolated from northern residential communities it serves by Sturgeon Creek. By extending Basin Street, the community of Leland will become more connected, reducing traffic and commute time to school, work, and recreation. As a part of this interconnectivity, bike and pedestrian pathways will serve the area in order to promote pedestrian traffic, reducing vehicle traffic around the high school.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

