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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Ashfield Retaining Wall project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Ashfield, located at 412 Main Street, Ashfield, MA 01330. The funding would be used to reconstruct an over one hundred-year-old retaining wall that runs alongside the edge of a large recreational area in town and is at risk of collapsing. The rehabilitation would allow continued use of the recreational area and protect homes and individuals that could be harmed by continued deterioration.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

James P. McGovern Member of Congress