



Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

April 30, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
2413 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Poinciana Sidewalk Expansion project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Polk County, located at 330 West Church Street, Bartow, Florida 33830. The funding would be used to reconstruct sidewalks to make Polk County safer for pedestrians, specifically along high traffic roads used as bus stops for children in Poinciana, a historically disadvantaged community. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is a public improvement project that will improve pedestrian safety.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Darren Soto".

Darren Soto  
Member of Congress