



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

May 16, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Kissimmee's Columbia Avenue Complete Street Improvements Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Kissimmee, located at 101 Church Street, Kissimmee, Florida 34741. The funding would be used to make streetscape improvements to 2.3 miles of roadway and non-vehicular access to a busy corridor of retail centers, walkable schools, and low-income apartment communities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this is a public improvement project. This project will benefit low- and moderate-income persons and address urgent needs for community 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