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House of Representatives
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Chairwoman Kay Granger
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

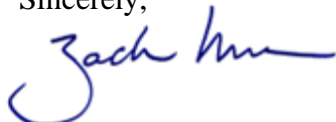
Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting that the Appropriations Committee provide a funding level of \$4,500,000 for the 8th St. SW Reconstruction – Phase 2. The entity to receive funding for this project is Altoona, Iowa, located at 900 Venbury Drive, Suite A, Altoona, IA 50009. This project will reconstruct the eastbound lanes of 8th St. from approximately 28th Ave. SW / Prairie Meadows Drive to the east of the underpass with the Iowa Interstate Railroad. Additionally, this project will extend left turn lanes and fill in gaps along the shared-use path on the south side of 8th St. This project will also add streetlights and underground existing overhead utilities through this corridor. Eighth Street SW is the major east-west route in Altoona for both vehicular and non-motorized traffic. This road serves as a gateway between a major commercial district in Altoona and the rest of Altoona. Additionally, it is a link between Des Moines and Mitchellville and is one of the City's primary truck routes. This is a good use of taxpayer funds as the pavement along this stretch of road continues to deteriorate, construction prices continue to rise, and the cost of reconstructing this roadway will become more expensive. Several steps were taken to obtain the most use out of the existing pavement, but the road's surface is reaching the end of its useful life. With 8th Street's connection to both Des Moines and Mitchellville, it serves as an eastern Polk County connector.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely,



Zach Nunn
Member of Congress