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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

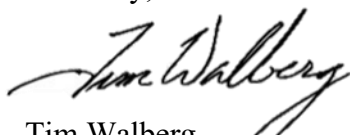
I am requesting funding for the Utility Extension Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Buchanan, located at 302 Redbud Trail, Buchanan, Michigan 49107. The funding would be used to extend water and sanitary sewer service from the City of Buchanan to the Bertrand Crossing Industrial Park located in Bertrand Charter Township.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will create the necessary water and wastewater utility capacity to support the expansion of existing businesses to the Bertrand Crossing Industrial Park. This investment will support both job creation and job retention in the region while also generating additional tax revenue to support services for area residents. All of the improvements made through this project will be publicly owned and benefit all three communities working on the project.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Tim Walberg
Member of Congress