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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 North River Road Safety Improvement Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is St. Joseph County Road Commission, located at 20914 M-86, Centreville, MI 49032.

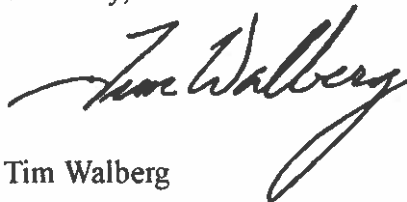
The funding would be used for widening, radius of curvature corrections and superelevation adjustments on North River Road, which will improve safety on the road.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because in 2013 a bypass around Constantine was opened which dramatically increased the traffic volume on North River Road. As a result, there has been a 700% increase in property damage only crashes, an 800% increase in injury crashes and two fatalities. Designing the road for the increased traffic volume will create a safer environment for the people who use the road.

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,



Tim Walberg

Member of Congress