



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

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

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Sassafra Street Extension Pedestrian Bridge project in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding is the Erie Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), located at 150 East Front Street, Suite 300, Erie, PA 16507.

The funding will build a pedestrian bridge to aid in safe crossing to the Bayfront development which is an integral part of revitalization of the Bayfront neighborhoods and waterfront district. This will connect City of Erie residents in low-income areas to have access to economic and commercial opportunities on the bayfront leading to be better quality of life. This project builds upon the Bayfront projects of previous years and stays in line with Erie County and City revitalization plans. Connecting the downtown, east and west neighborhoods is critical to economic success.

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

Sincerely,

Mike Kelly
Member of Congress