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May 23, 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 Cardinal Square Streetscaping Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Saginaw Valley State University, located at 7400 Bay Road, University Center, MI 48710. The funding will be used to make vital site improvements and incorporate necessary design features that will improve the visual identity, safety, and accessibility of the area. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these critical site improvements are estimated to help generate \$100 million in future economic activity for the area, translating into new jobs, increased property values, and expanded tax revenues that benefit schools, public services, and infrastructure.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,

Kristen McDonald Rivet
Member of Congress