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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 Removing Blight and Restoring Land in Genesee County (MI) Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Genesee County Land Bank Authority, located at 452 S. Saginaw St., 2nd Floor, Flint, MI 48502. The funding will be used to support the demolition of up to 130 emergent, blighted structures in Flint and surrounding communities that pose serious health, safety, and crime risks. This is a good use of taxpayer dollars because the removal of these blighted properties will improve community health and safety, reduce crime, and stimulate economic recovery by restoring property values and creating opportunities for new development for the residents of Genesee County.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

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