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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-1310**

March 20, 2026

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 House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,000,000 in funding for Critical Watermain Replacement and Distribution System Reliability Project in fiscal year 2027.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Winthrop Harbor located at 830 Sheridan Road Winthrop Harbor, Illinois. The funding would be used to replace approximately 6,800 linear feet of aging watermain, reduce leakage and infiltration risks, and strengthen system reliability. These improvements help ensure the continued safe delivery of drinking water and support the Village's ability to maintain compliance with Safe Drinking Water Act standards while protecting public health and maintaining a resilient water distribution system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses the repair, replacement, and modernization of drinking water distribution systems that are necessary to maintain safe and reliable water service.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bradley S. Schneider".

Bradley S. Schneider  
Member of Congress