

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-3807

May 13, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Catasauqua Borough Iron Works Blight Removal Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of Catasauqua, located at 90 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032. The funding would be used for preparing the site for a mixed-use community. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will lead to the creation of an estimated 50 permanent jobs, increase tax revenue, and provide housing.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

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Ryan Mackenzie  
Member of Congress