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March 29, 2026

Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for The Heights Redevelopment in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Saint Paul Port Authority, located at 400 Wabasha St N #240, St Paul, MN 55102.

The funding would be used to build out local infrastructure in The Heights development, such as benches, boardwalks, paved trails, and tree canopies to connect the community and ensure it is a vibrant neighborhood. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because The Heights—the redevelopment of the 112-acre Hillcrest Golf Club site—is the largest modern-day investment in Saint Paul's Greater East Side neighborhood. The Heights development will include 1,000 quality, affordable homes and 1.0M square feet of light industrial space. The investments provided by this funding will help to further catalyze vertical development of housing and industrial parcels in the development.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Betty McCollum".

Betty McCollum
Member of Congress