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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

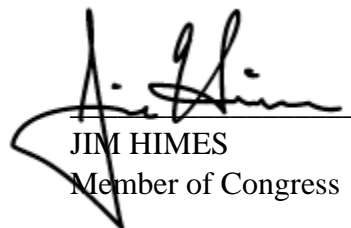
I am requesting funding for the Downtown Bridgeport Sidewalks and Lighting Upgrades in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bridgeport, located at 999 Broad Street, Bridgeport Connecticut, 06604.

The funding would be used for construction of infrastructure in Downtown Bridgeport to improve safety, increase ADA compliance, expand sidewalks, install lighting, and expand access to public transit. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because inferior sidewalks, streetlights and pedestrian amenities have kept the neighborhood from reaching its full potential as an economic development engine for the City. This project will help bring Downtown Bridgeport into the 21st Century as a safer, friendlier, and more walkable neighborhood for residents, visitors, and business owners.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1) 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,



JIM HIMES  
Member of Congress