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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

April 29, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting community project funding for the Development of the Quincy Riverfront Port in the Fiscal Year 2023 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies legislation.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Quincy, located at 706 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.

The funding would be used to construct a passenger port and parking lot allowing for the docking of large passenger cruise ships, as well as the relocation of overhead electric lines that run approximately five blocks along the riverfront to underground ducts. This project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because this proposed project would allow river cruise ships to bring their passengers to Quincy, Illinois, supporting the local economy. There has been tremendous growth in recent years in the passenger cruise industry, with no signs of slowing down. The region around Quincy, Illinois is missing out on this economic opportunity, that would bring in an estimated \$1,000,000 of annual revenue. In addition, the removal of aging utility towers, currently obstructing views of the Mississippi River, will lead to a vast expansion of residential and commercial development along the riverfront in Quincy, Illinois.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Darin LaHood  
Member of Congress