April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Hardin Avenue Pedestrian Access Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Village of South Jacksonville and the project is located on the west side of Hardin Avenue from East Vandalia Road to East Michigan Road, Jacksonville, Illinois 62650.

The funding is designated for a new sidewalk on Hardin Ave, approximately 2,650 feet.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: constructing a sidewalk in residential areas increases the walkability of the neighborhoods, which has positive effects on the overall health of the populace, the safety of the pedestrians, and can increase the attractiveness of a neighborhood as far as attracting or retaining residents.

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

Sincerely,

Darin LaHood
Member of Congress
April 27, 2021