

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-1806**

May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I request funding for the Lavey Lane Street Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive such funding is The City of Baker, located at 3325 Groom Rd, Baker, LA 70714. Funds will specifically allow the city to make critical improvements to Lavey Lane for residents and commuter travel. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the improvements to Lavey Lane will increase safety for the individuals and vehicles traveling to and from work, local businesses, and community activities in the area.

The project has a Federal nexus because the project purposes are authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2), the Community Development Block Grant Program, which provides flexible funding for the reconstruction of local road infrastructure to aid the development of smaller communities.

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

Sincerely,



Garret Graves  
Member of Congress