Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Street Modernization (AKA Arterial Resurfacing) in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Chicago and the Chicago Department of Transportation and the project is located at:

- 25th St from Lawndale to Central Park
- 36th St from Kostner to Pulaski
- Frontage Rd from Kostner to Kilbourn
- Hamlin from 47th northward to dead end
- Humboldt Blvd Service Drive (West Side) from Palmer Sq to North Ave
- Karlov from 51st St to Archer
- Kostner from 35th Pl to 36th St
- Lawndale from 50th St to 51st St
- Neva from Wabansia Ave to North Ave
- Western from 26th St to 28th St
- 18th St from Halsted St to Canal St
- Diversey Ave from Narragansett Ave to Laramie Ave
- Humboldt Blvd from Palmer Sq to North Ave
- Sacramento Ave from Elston Ave to Milwaukee Ave
- Armitage Ave from Milwaukee Ave to Kedzie Ave
- Belmont Ave from Milwaukee Ave to Kilpatrick Ave
- Blue Island Ave from Wolcott Ave to Cermak Rd/Ashland Ave
- Diversey Ave from Central Park Ave to California Ave
- Kimball Ave from North Ave to Armitage Ave
- Lawndale Ave from 50th St to 47th St
- Central Ave from Schubert Ave to Diversey Ave
- Division St from Kedzie Ave to California Ave
- Kedzie Ave from 44th St to 47th St
- Wrightwood Ave from Hamlin Ave to Sawyer Ave

The funding designated for Resurfacing arterial roadways is one of the most basic functions of CDOT. Proper resurfacing results in safety improvements and long-term cost savings by reducing maintenance expenses. By including bicycle, pedestrian and transit improvements where appropriate, additional benefit is provided increasing safety and mobility. CDOT needs resources to modernize and update streets (aerial resurfacing) on multiple streets throughout the
city. These updates will be immediately felt by those who live and drive in these neighborhoods. There is a complete list of projects available and can be tailored to your district.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: Increased safety due to better road conditions and visibility and decreased maintenance costs.

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

Sincerely,

Jesús G. “Chuy” García
Member of Congress
Illinois’ 4th Congressional District