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April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Bridge Replacement - Broadway Ave Over Silver Creek in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Village of Melrose Park and the project is located at Broadway Avenue and IL 64 (North Avenue), Melrose Park, IL.

The funding is designated for the replacement of a bridge in deteriorated condition. The bridge is also too narrow for the traffic needs of the roadway it carries. The bridge condition has been evaluated as having a high priority for replacement, with a sufficiency rating below tolerable level. Bridge replacement needs to occur before load limits must be imposed restricting truck traffic, and before reaching a condition requiring closure. Limiting or closing the bridge would lead to reduced access to businesses and residences.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: by replacing the bridge, congestion will be reduced and safety will be increased. This will also alleviate the issue of trucks being unable to cross the bridge.

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

Sincerely,



Jesus G. "Chuy" Garcia
Member of Congress
Illinois' 4th Congressional District