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AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Bridge Replacement-17th 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 17th Avenue and IL 64 (North Avenue), Melrose Park IL.

The funding is designated for the replacement of a bridge in deteriorated condition. The bridge 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: replacing a damaged and potentially dangerous bridge will increase the safety of users and those who live and work in the area.

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' 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District