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March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1306 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Bridge #279 Replacement project on K-96 in Sedgwick County, Kansas. The entity to receive funding is the Kansas Department of Transportation, located at 700 SW Harrison Street, Topeka, Kansas, 66603.

The funding would be utilized to replace the bridge (Bridge #279) on 45th Street over K-96 westbound and eastbound lanes, located at the K-96/45th Street Junction. This project would be an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve the safety of the traveling public by replacing a structure that is nearing the end of its service life, as well as move traffic more efficiently along 45th Street and K-96, one of the state's busiest corridors.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding is provided for purposes described in 23 U.S.C. § 133.

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

Sincerely,



Ron Estes
Member of Congress