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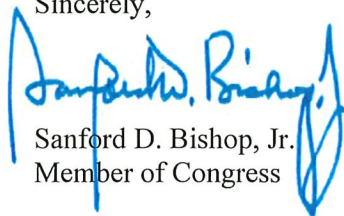
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Plains Streetscaping and Public Facilities Upgrades Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Plains, which is located at 101 West Church Street, Plains, GA 31780. The funding would allow for the renovation of the exteriors of the public buildings for a one-mile stretch of SR-280, including paving and lighting of the parking lot for the recently constructed multipurpose community center. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the National Park Service estimates the city will experience approximately 75,000 visitors annually starting in late 2027. The project will ensure visitors are properly welcomed to the city and will encourage the development of new businesses that will cater to the new stream of tourists and other visitors. The revitalization of Plains not only improves safety and accessibility but also stimulates local businesses, fostering economic growth.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,



Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.
Member of Congress