April 29, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Clifford Ave, Fulton St, and Manning St Storm Sewer Improvements in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project the City of Alexandria located at 301 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

The funding would be used to fund and implement “spot improvements” in particularly impacted areas of our community. These spot improvements are new storm sewer projects such as detention, pipes and other drainage improvements that make neighborhoods more resilient to climate change and flash flooding. Projects are typically $50,000 to $1 million each (depending on project location and scope) and can be delivered in 8-20 months.

The City plans to spend a total of $2.5 million in FY 2022 to deliver eight projects. An additional $420,000 would allow the City to accelerate a key project area currently planned for FY 2023.

Storm sewer systems in this neighborhood were designed and installed approximately 75-years ago and as such do not account for changes in climate now effecting the local weather patterns which form extreme rainfall events precipitating flash flooding on an alarmingly frequent basis. The project proposes to increase the inlet sizes and connecting pipes at key locations to more effectively move stormwater from the streets into the storm sewers and out to Four Mile Run.

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

Sincerely,

Donald S. Beyer Jr.
Member of Congress