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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
May 2, 2025

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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of North Kansas City's Town Square Renovation, for Fiscal Year 2026. The City of North Kansas City is located at 2010 Howell Street, North Kansas City, MO 64116.

This project will renovate the town square located in the block between Armour Road, Erie Street, 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Swift Street, which is currently underutilized by the community and local businesses. Over the last several years, the city has received requests by local business owners and community members to update the space so it can be used for local events. The City's Master Plan recognizes the importance of open spaces, such as the town square, as integral parts of the community.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funds because the town square renovation will renovate and re-energize the open space that is currently underutilized. As the city continues plans to develop the downtown area, a renovation of the square will be a key component of the community infrastructure. Improvements will include updates to seating, lighting, streetscapes, and the replacement of an aging pergola for public events.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by **42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2)** – the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation (including design features and improvements with respect to such construction, reconstruction, or installation that promote energy efficiency) of public works, facilities (except for buildings for the general conduct of government), and site or other improvements;

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

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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