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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Monroe Plaza and Extended Pedestrian Infrastructure Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Memphis, located at 125 North Main Street, Room 608, Memphis, TN 38103. The funding would be used to convert an underutilized street into a new downtown plaza.

It is an appropriate use of taxpayer money because it will make the Mississippi River and downtown area more accessible for all Memphians by offering critical infrastructure for pedestrian and tourist traffic.

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

Sincerely,

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Steve Cohen Member of Congress