April 26, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Chaplain Schmitt Island Trail Connection in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive the funding for this project is the City of Dubuque, located at 50 W 13th Street, Dubuque, IA 52001. The project itself is located on and connecting to Chaplain Schmitt Island in the Mississippi River, immediately off the coast of Dubuque, IA.

The funding for this project will be used to create a trail system, increasing accessibility to the Chaplain Schmitt Island and Chaplain Schmitt Veterans Memorial for the local community, Iowans, and veterans visiting from outside the area. These funds would also connect 30 miles of trails around the region, removing a mobility and accessibility barrier for low-income and rural residents in a way that is safe, environmentally friendly, and ADA compliant.

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

Sincerely,

Ashley Hinson  
Member of Congress  
Committee on Appropriations