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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C., 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C., 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Ohio River Way Access for ALL Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, located at 2045 Morse Road, Building D-3, Columbus, OH 43229.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will fund the deployment of up to 17 ADA compliant kayak/canoe docks (and 40 informational kiosks) at major public boat ramps across Southern Ohio from Hamilton County to Meigs County. ADA compliant docks make it much easier and safer for people of all abilities and ages to enter and exit the Ohio River and its tributaries in a canoe or kayak. This project will therefore promote access, safety, tourism, job creation, and physical/mental health in Ohio River communities in the eight counties that this project will serve.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1) and (a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brad R. Wenstrup".

Brad R. Wenstrup, D.P.M.
Member of Congress