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Congress of the United States
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Fremont Municipal Inland Port Rail Infrastructure Development in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Fremont Municipal Inland Port Authority located at 1005 E 23rd St., Ste #2, Fremont, NE 68025. The funding would be used to construct common rail infrastructure in the Fremont Municipal Inland Port. This project will create physical access to the Union Pacific Blair Sub Mainline, opening the 1,500 acre park for long-term development of a variety of rail service options potentially including transload services, intermodal services, and direct rail services.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will expand freight opportunities in eastern Nebraska and contributing to a safer, more resilient supply chain. The development will support direct rail service, transloading and intermodal services, while reducing truck traffic and carbon emissions. A study commissioned by Nebraska Department of Transportation estimates potential annual savings of \$39 million for regional shippers and a total public benefit of \$54 million from expanded rail service opportunities in the Fremont area.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 22907 of title 49 of the United States code.

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

Sincerely,



Michael J. Flood
Member of Congress