April 27, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing
and Urban Development, and Related Agencies
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Newtown Rail Trail Extension Project in the upcoming Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. The entity to receive funding for this community project is the Bucks County Planning Commission, located at 1260 Almshouse Road, Doylestown PA, 18901. The Newtown Rail Trail will be an extension of the Pennypack Creek Trail and will use the right-of-way of Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority’s former Newtown Line. Once completed, there will be a 25-mile continuous off-road trail from Newtown to the Delaware River in Holmesburg. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it would provide a critical off-road, multi-purpose trail that will be a part of the regional Circuit Trails system of trails and answers to the increased demand for safe outdoor recreation infrastructure.

I certify that neither my immediate family nor I have any financial interest in this project. Thank you for your consideration and attention to this request.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Brian Fitzpatrick
Member of Congress