April 25, 2022

Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Congresswoman Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro & Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Road Raising and Flood Resiliency for Amity Harbor and the American Venice in Babylon, New York in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Babylon, NY, located at 200 Sunrise Highway, Lindenhurst, NY 11757.

The funding would be used for addressing and reconstructing roadways that have been affected by rising tides, climate change and mass development over 70 years that has left the shoreline susceptible to constant and repeated flooding. These areas used to only have flooding issues during major weather events like Hurricane Sandy. Now, even the monthly tides, added to the consistency of powerful storms, have left our residents facing life-altering situations on a regular basis.

Areas south of Montauk Highway in the Town of Babylon need to be raised to help alleviate these flooding conditions. Many residents were able to use Federal funding to raise their homes after Hurricane Sandy. However, municipalities have not been able to fund the much needed raising of the Town’s infrastructure in these areas. Roads and drainage systems must be raised to keep communities safe.

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

Sincerely,

Andrew R. Garbarino  
Member of Congress