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March 11, 2026

Congressman Andy Barr
2709 Old Rosebud Rd Ste 100
Lexington KY 40509

RE: City of Harrodsburg FY27 CPF Request- Water Meter and Valve Replacements

Dear Congressman Barr:

As Mercer County Judge/Executive, I am writing in strong support of the city of Harrodsburg's funding request for \$500,000 for water meter and valve replacements through the EPA STAG program.

Our community, as the oldest incorporated city in America west of the Alleghenies, regularly faces the huge financial challenge of replacing outdated infrastructure. The city has worked hard to self-sustain and pursue state and federal funding for the continued maintenance of its infrastructure, having leveraged CDBG for sewer, as well as having one KIA SRF water project completed and another project preliminarily approved in the state's current draft intended use plan (The city leveraged FY23 SRF funding to do a major water line replacements project, and is in the 2026 IUP for funding to replace the City's high service main and modernize equipment at the water plant). As such, many of the conventional funding options available to the city for infrastructure are already subscribed with requests. As you and your team well know, we are growing rapidly as a county- and though our focus has been on the future, we cannot forget to take care of the existing infrastructure that we are entrusted to steward. This project would modernize the city's capabilities, improving meter accuracy and implementing new technology for city water and public works staff to be able to continue to perform at a high level.

Thank you very much for your faithful consideration of the investment requested through the FY27 CPF process. Your support would allow the city to continue tackling real-world infrastructure challenges, while leveraging other funding opportunities to proactively keep things flossing in Harrodsburg.

Sincerely,

Sarah Steele

Mercer County Judge/Executive



CITY OF HARRODSBURG

Mayor
Bob Williams

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March 5, 2026

Congressman Andy Barr
Lexington District Office
2709 Old Rosebud Rd, Suite 100 Lexington KY 40509
Delivered Electronically

Dear Representative Barr and Staff,

Please accept this letter as a heartfelt request from the City of Harrodsburg for financial assistance through the FY2027 Community Projects Funding program. Our community has benefitted greatly from funding for law enforcement and economic development in years gone by, and we're sincerely appreciative.

This cycle, the City of Harrodsburg would like to request funding for the replacement of approximately 1,000 water meters and approximately 500 valve assemblies on aging municipal water infrastructure in the city of Harrodsburg, at a total cost of approximately \$500,000. Our community, as the oldest incorporated city in America west of the Alleghenies, regularly faces the huge financial challenge of replacing outdated infrastructure. The city has worked diligently to self-fund and pursue state and federal funding for the continued maintenance and expansion of its infrastructure, having leveraged CDBG for sewer, as well as having one KIA SRF water maintenance project completed and another project preliminarily approved in the state's current draft intended use plan (The city leveraged FY23 SRF funding to do a \$5+ million water line replacements project, and is in the 2026 IUP for funding to replace the City's high service main and modernize equipment at the water treatment plant). As such, many of the conventional funding mechanisms available to the city for this request are already subscribed with ongoing maintenance. This project would modernize the city's capabilities substantially, improving meter accuracy and implementing new technology for city water department and public works staff to be able to be much more efficient.

We humbly request your full and faithful consideration of the investment requested through the FY27 CPF process. Your support would allow the city to continue tackling real-world infrastructure challenges, while leveraging other funding opportunities to proactively keep things flossing in Harrodsburg.

Sincerely,

Robert O. Williams
Mayor
City of Harrodsburg, Kentucky