

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0904

April 29, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

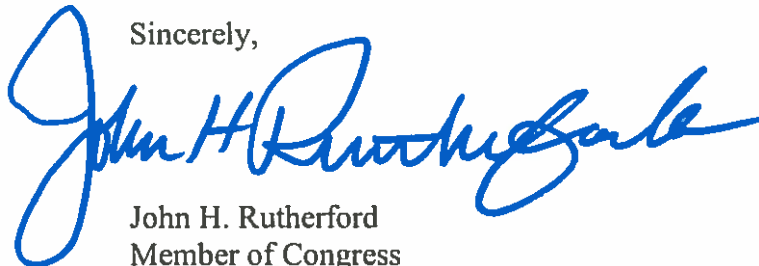
On behalf of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) and my constituents in Florida's 4th Congressional District, I am requesting \$3,000,000 for the Mandarin Pedestrian Safety Improvements project in the Fiscal Year 2023 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations bill. JTA, located at 100 LaVilla Venter Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32204, would receive the funding for this project.

If granted, this funding would build a 2-mile sidewalk in the Mandarin neighborhood of Jacksonville, to improve connectivity and safety for this residential neighborhood situated on a JTA transit route. Gaps in sidewalk pathways in a neighborhood is a public safety hazard and often creates barriers to safer route access to community facilities.

The Mandarin Pedestrian Safety Improvements project would repair sidewalks along Mandarin Road from Orange Picker Road to Red Cypress Drive and construct new sidewalk along Mandarin Road from Red Cypress Road to Walter Jones Historic in Jacksonville, Florida. These improvements align well with JTA's complete streets program and enhance the safety and quality of life for all members of the community.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank you for your consideration of this important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John H. Rutherford". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being particularly large and stylized.

John H. Rutherford
Member of Congress