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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting \$3 million in funding for the I-94/22nd Ave Pedestrian Bridge in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the MN Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and the project is located at I-94 and 22nd Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55404.

The funding is designated for providing a permanent replacement of a pedestrian bridge linking the Seward, Cedar Riverside, and West Bank neighborhoods in Minneapolis. Near the University of Minnesota, Augsburg University, and downtown Minneapolis.

The project is an appropriate use for taxpayer dollars as this bridge is one of the most heavily traveled pedestrian bridges in my district and the state of Minnesota. The community around the bridge is home to many new Americans, and low-income populations, including public housing complexes. The bridge was hit by a truck recently and has a temporary bridge at the moment, but MnDOT has been partnering with the City of Minneapolis on an expanded design to accommodate walkers and bikers.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ilhan Omar".

Ilhan Omar
Member of Congress
April 20, 2021