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Representative Dennis Moore
1727 Longworth House Office Building
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Re: City of Lawrence's 5th & Maple Pump Station appropriations request

Dear Representative Moore:

I am writing to express Douglas County's support for the City of Lawrence's appropriation request for the 5th & Maple Pump Station. In 2005, the City completed a comprehensive North Lawrence Drainage Study. The study identified the 5th & Maple Pump Station as being critical for stormwater drainage in North Lawrence and Grant Township.

The project would include a lift/pump station and piping to discharge stormwater from North Lawrence to the Kansas River. This project would provide benefit to over 1,500 residents of North Lawrence and Grant Township, including commercial and industrial based companies of North Lawrence. This project is the most critical improvement for this area of Lawrence. Flooding occurs at every level of rain event and the area cannot drain to the Kansas River unless pumped over the levee. The project would have significant benefits to transportation, property and quality of life in North Lawrence and Grant Township.

Thank you for your consideration of this worthy project.

Sincerely,

G. Craig Weinaug