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Congressman Paul Tsongas
Room 419
Cannon Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Tsongas:

We have received word that the President has signed the four billion dollar EDA bill (Public Works) designed to stimulate the economy. As you recall, our application under the original Public Works Bill was not one of those accepted for funding; our project was given a rating of 157 out of 323 projects. We understand that previous applications will be given preference under this new bill and we are, therefore, hopeful that we may be selected this time.

Our need still remains critical with the possibility of receiving local funding for an addition virtually impossible since our district towns are faced with the added fiscal crisis brought about by a substantial loss in Cherry Sheet Aid from the State.

Since one of the important selection criterion is the unemployment rate of the area, we are listing the following annual unemployment rates (1976) for our four district towns: Chelmsford - 8.2%, Groton - 11.4%, Littleton - 6.8% and Westford - 11.8%.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter which you sent to Mr. Corrigan of the Economic Development Administration Regional Office in support of our project and original application. Your continued support of our application for funding of our project will be greatly appreciated.

We will be happy to provide any additional information if you so desire.

Sincerely,

Bernholdt Nystrom
Assistant to the Superintendent

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Enclosure