

I am writing to express my strong support for the Rural Community Endowment Fund Bill. As a local municipality with a population of under 400 hundred people, funding projects such as housing, infrastructure, present and local business expansions is extremely difficult if not impossible without the financial boost that the Rural Community Endowment Fund would provide to rural areas. The City of Bowbells has about 10 to 12 utility poles on Main Street than are City owned. These poles are old and are starting to rot. The last big windstorm we had blew one over on Main Street and we do not have the funds to replace them all. This Bill would help tremendously. By investing in our rural communities, we are investing in the future of our state. Thank you for considering this important Funding.