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March 12, 2026

Congressman Daniel Webster
U.S. House of Representatives
2184 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support for Federal Earmark – City of Groveland New North Water Reclamation Facility

Dear Congressman Webster:

I am writing to express strong support for the City of Groveland's request for federal funding to support the development of the New North Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). This project is a critical infrastructure investment that will improve wastewater treatment reliability, protect water quality, and ensure continued regulatory compliance within the region.

The existing Sunshine Parkway WRF has exceeded its design life and is projected to reach capacity under current, already-approved service commitments. The proposed New North WRF will replace aging infrastructure with a modern, resilient facility designed to meet current and future environmental standards while improving operational efficiency and system redundancy.

Importantly, this project is not intended to induce growth, but rather to address existing capacity constraints, enhance system reliability, and safeguard public health and environmental resources. The selected alternative was identified through a formal facilities planning process and represents the lowest life-cycle cost option while avoiding wetland impacts and minimizing long-term operational risk.

Federal investment through the STAG program will help ensure the City can move forward with this essential project while maintaining affordability for ratepayers. The New North WRF will deliver measurable public benefits, including improved wastewater treatment performance, enhanced environmental protection, and long-term infrastructure sustainability.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support of critical water infrastructure investments.

Sincerely,

Timothy Maslow
Interim City Manager



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The current Sunshine Parkway WRF is operating near capacity and relies on infrastructure that has surpassed its intended service life. Without replacement, the system faces increased risk of service disruptions, escalating maintenance costs, and regulatory non-compliance. The New North WRF directly addresses these challenges by providing modern treatment infrastructure designed for long-term operational reliability and resilience.

The project is the result of a comprehensive facilities planning process and was selected based on technical feasibility, environmental considerations, and cost effectiveness. It ensures continuity of service, strengthens system redundancy, and protects public health without placing undue financial burden on local ratepayers.

Federal support through the STAG program will allow the City to advance this critical infrastructure investment while preserving affordability and long-term fiscal sustainability. The New North WRF is a prudent and necessary use of federal funds that delivers clear public benefits.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

TJ Fish
Director of Transportation & Public Works



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Keith Keogh
Mayor