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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Wildwood Water Reclamation Facility in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Wildwood located at 1290 Industrial Drive, Wildwood, FL 34785.

The funding would be used for construction to help build a new water reclamation facility in the city of Wildwood that will be able to reduce nutrients and phosphorous entering the local ground water systems. This is needed to ensure access to clean water by the city of Wildwood and surrounding communities, including The Villages, and preserve Florida's natural resources. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because currently Wildwood's raw wastewater flows have increased over 30% annually and given this is one of the fastest-growing areas in Florida, a new facility is necessary to ensure water quality access to Floridians and to protect the Silver River and Upper Silver River Basin from dirty water that will damage the vegetation and river.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Daniel Webster

Member of Congress