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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Calumet Region, IN in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – Chicago District (LRC). The funding would be used for the construction of water-related infrastructure throughout Lake and Porter Counties.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the funding allocated to Calumet Region Environmental Infrastructure provides for partnerships between the USACE and the communities in Lake and Porter Counties, to address critical water, sanitary sewer, stormwater sewer infrastructure improvements designed to alleviate deteriorated conditions within aged infrastructure, increase the efficacy of existing systems, and reverse adverse water quality impacts. These investments are critical to increasing economic development opportunities in the region. Requested funds will allow the USACE- Chicago District to continue partnerships with nonfederal sponsors to address water infrastructure needs.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section Sec 219(f)(12) WRDA 1992 (P.L. 102-580), as amended by Sec 502 WRDA 1999 (P.L. 106-53), Sec 145 EWDAA 2004 (P.L. 108-137), Sec 5075 WRDA 2007 (P.L. 110-114); Sec 8375 WRDA 2022 (P.L. 117-263).

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

Sincerely,

Frank J. Mrvan  
Member of Congress

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