Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Bear Creek Infrastructure and Flood Protection Initiative. The entity to receive funding for this project is The City of Merced, located at 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA, 95340.

The funding would be for the construction and completion of critical flood resiliency infrastructure and habitat restoration features along Bear Creek. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds due to its focus on infrastructure development and economic resilience. Specifically, this project enhances flood protection for critical public safety infrastructure and safeguards agricultural areas vital to the regional and national economy.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Adam Gary

Member of Congress

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