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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair 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 Ensuring Cybersecurity of Critical Infrastructure Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Manhattan Beach, located at 1400 Highland Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. The funding would be used for necessary upgrades to Manhattan Beach's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system to protect it from cyber attacks. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is critical to ensure infrastructure in the City of Manhattan Beach is safeguarded from increasing threats to water system cybersecurity. Upgrades to the system will include: Installing fiber optic cables at sites where needed, upgrading programmable logic controllers with overextended lifecycles, as well as adding new switches and more robust firewalls.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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