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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 City of West Melbourne Reverse Osmosis Water Production Facility Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of West Melbourne, located at 2240 Minton Road, West Melbourne, FL 32904.

The requested funds will be used to develop a clean and sustainable independent water source for the growing community by constructing a new reverse osmosis water production facility and associated infrastructure. The project involves construction of a new water production facility, four production wells, three monitor wells, conveyance lines to carry raw water from the production wells to a new water production facility, and distribution lines to deliver finished water from the facility to the distribution system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure that the City will be a reliable, high-quality, and environmentally responsible water utility operator. This project also helps to advance a number of federal initiatives, such as improving water quality, improving public health, improving infrastructure, and protecting natural resources. 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,

Mike Horidepola

Mike Haridopolos Member of Congress