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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

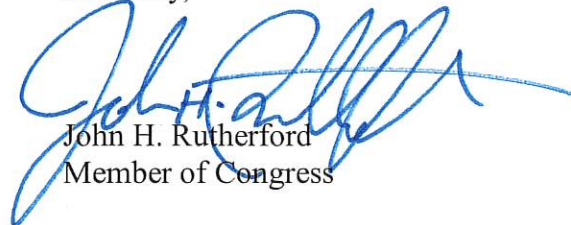
I am requesting funding for the St. Augustine Beach Stormwater System and Outfall Resiliency project in Fiscal Year 2026. The City of St. Augustine Beach, who is the entity to receive funding for this project, is located at 2200 SR A1A S, St. Augustine, FL 32080.

The funding would be used for the planning, design, and permitting of a project to regrade and stabilize the city's stormwater system. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will protect public health and safety, decrease erosion along Mickler's ditch and Mizell Outfall, and prevent harmful flooding. This project would help decrease the contamination in stormwater runoff and protect the intracoastal waterway, which the stormwater system ultimately discharges into.

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,



John H. Rutherford
Member of Congress