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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, 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 Southeast Industrial Area Improvements in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Beaumont, located at 801 Main Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701. The funding would be used to increase water capacity in the City's southeast area to support additional industrial use. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because they directly serve Beaumont and Jefferson County residents and employers by strengthening essential transportation and utility infrastructure that supports jobs, public safety, and reliable commerce. Upgrading key truck routes, intersections, and traffic controls—paired with drainage and supporting utility improvements —reduces flooding-related disruptions, improves freight and commuter safety, and ensures dependable access for emergency response. These are long-life public assets that address aging infrastructure before failures lead to higher costs, while positioning industrial sites for expansion and new investment that broaden the local tax base and sustain utility revenues. In short, the project advances the district's economic competitiveness and infrastructure resilience, which are practical improvements that support growth and protect taxpayers.

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,



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Member of Congress