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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

It is a pleasure serving with you on the Committee on Appropriations, I value your leadership. I am requesting funding for the Defiance Water Distribution Upgrades project in Defiance, Ohio, in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Defiance, located at 631 Perry St, Defiance, Ohio 43512. The funding would be used to replace an existing potable water booster station that is beyond its useful life. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure the supply of safe drinking water to an elementary, middle, and high school complex as well as to several businesses and industrial facilities.

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, marry

MARCY KAPTUR U.S. Representative