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May 1, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,000,000 for the GE Pump Station and Force Main Improvement project in Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26). The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Mebane, located at 106 E Washington Street, Mebane, NC 27302. The funding would be used to increase the existing pump station capacity which has encountered a 40% reduction in pumping capacity. Investing in this infrastructure could strengthen the local economy and create high-paying opportunities to benefit rural communities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will benefit taxpayers by expanding the tax base in rural Orange County, N.C. The introduction of industrial and commercial developments would bolster the tax base due to financial investments associated with owning and operating manufacturing and distribution facilities. This tax revenue could fund essential services such as local schools, road infrastructure, and emergency response teams.

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,



Valerie P. Foushee
MEMBER OF CONGRESS