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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Loop Canal and Lake Bethany Mitigation project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Bethany Beach, located at 214 Garfield Parkfield, Bethany Beach, DE 19930. The funding would be used for development of a bulkhead and shoreline that would help restore and stabilize a land strip that lies between the Loop Canal and Lake Bethany. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project will provide habitat to local wildlife, create needed soil stability, reduce erosion, and increase the towns shoreline resiliency from wind and tidal erosion.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

LISA BLUNT ROCHESTER Member of Congress