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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for West Brookfield Water Department Facility, West Brookfield, Massachusetts in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is West Brookfield Water Department, located at 2 East Main Street, West Brookfield, MA 01585. The funding would be used for a new filtration system to address ongoing issues with heightened levels of manganese and iron in the water supply. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a critical infrastructure need that will cause significant health concerns if left unaddressed. 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,

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Richard E. Neal Member of Congress

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