Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

May 10, 2024

Chairman Tom Cole 2207 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515 Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro 2413 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

Tinot M. Kennes

I am requesting funding for the Town of Grand Island in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Grand Island, 2255 Baseline Rd, Grand Island, NY 14072. The funding would be used to undertake an essential upgrade to its Water Treatment Plant by installing new filtration units to improve the quality and quantity of water treated.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase the town's water capacity, supporting its ongoing growth. As a result of residential and commercial growth, the Town's total water demand is projected to continue increasing at 5% or more annually. These improvements will reduce operational costs by lowering the dependence on more expensive external water sources. In addition, the introduction of eco-friendly technologies like air/water backwash systems will decrease waste water and environmental impact.

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. and 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,

Timothy M. Kennedy Member of Congress