May 2, 2025

Hon. Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 Hon. 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 the Elizabeth Lead Service Line Replacement Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Elizabeth located at City Hall, 50 Winfield Scott Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey, 07201. The funding would be used for the replacement of existing lead service lines. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses the potential health and safety impacts of lead pipes, as well as water quality, water flow, and effective service issues.

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,

Robert J. Menendez Member of Congress New Jersey's Eighth Congressional District