May 2, 2025

Hon. Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H307, 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 Woodcliff Drainage Improvements and Sewer Rehabilitation Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Township of North Bergen, 4233 Kennedy Boulevard, North Bergen, New Jersey, 07407. The funding would be used for introducing critical inlets and stormwater lines to mitigate Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) surcharging, as well as improve the resilience of the sanitary system. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would improve stormwater management and reduce wastewater requiring treatment in a community vulnerable to severe storms.

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