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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lower Mattawoman Interceptor project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Charles County, Maryland, located at 200 Baltimore St., La Plata, MD 20646.

The Lower Mattawoman Interceptor is located within the stream valley of Mattawoman Creek, an area susceptible to a continually high groundwater table. Preliminary evaluation of observed structural and operational defects within the interceptor have identified rehabilitation techniques such as cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining, internal pipe joint seals, recurring close-circuit-television (CCTV) inspection, and other miscellaneous repairs to reduce the high BI entering the interceptor and reaching the downstream Mattawoman Wastewater Treatment Facility (MWTF). The funding request would support engineering costs.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it has a goal of maintaining the health safety and welfare of the community to avoid sewer overflows, and eliminating unnecessary investment in infrastructure expansion by preserving capacity in the existing sewer system.

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 yours,

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MEMBER OF CONGRESS