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House of Representatives

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Buckhead Community Water System Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Columbus County Water District IV, located at 127 W. Webster St., Whiteville, NC, 28472. The funding would be used to provide a long-term benefit for the Buckhead Community occupied by the Waccamaw Siouan Tribal Area by providing them with clean and safe drinking water.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will provide a long-term benefit to the Buckhead Community occupied by the Waccamaw Siouan Tribal Area by providing them with clean and safe drinking water. An additional waterline will extend to the Town of Bolton to provide auxiliary water supply to the town and adequate fire suppression to the new consolidated school currently under construction.

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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