April 21, 2021

The Honorable David C. Rouzer  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Rouzer:

On behalf of the town of Carolina Beach, thank you for all of your efforts to support the Coastal Storm Damage Reduction (CSDR) project in Carolina Beach. Your continued support and advocacy over the last several years has ensured town business and residential property are protected during storms.

Your efforts have been critical in securing federal funding for these projects, which as you know are far too cost prohibitive for a town like Carolina Beach to assume in our budget. Like you, we were excited when the Carolina Beach CSDR project was authorized as part of the Water Resources Development Act in 2020.

As we learned in January, our project was not included in the final U.S. Army Corps of Engineers work plan. While Carolina Beach, New Hanover County, the county’s other beach communities and your office, have advocated for federal funding, we do not have the federal commitment yet.

We support your efforts to either find reprogrammed federal funding or to make the funding for Carolina Beach’s project a specified request from you in a future federal budget.

As always, Carolina Beach remains committed to assist you and your staff to advocate for healthy beaches that protect our coastal infrastructure from hurricanes, storm surge and other natural events.

Sincerely,

LeAnn Pierce  
Mayor