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 Kure Beach, thank you for all of your efforts to support the Coastal Storm Damage Reduction (CSDR) project in Kure Beach. Your continued support has ensured town businesses and residential property are protected during hurricanes and other storms.

Your efforts have been critical in securing federal funding for these projects, which as you know are too costly for Kure Beach to pay for on its own. Like you, we were excited when the Kure Beach CSDR project was authorized as part of the Water Resources Development Act in 2020.

Like you, we were disappointed to learn in January that our project was not included in the final U.S. Army Corps of Engineers work plan. While Kure Beach, New Hanover County, the county’s other beach communities and your office, have advocated for federal funding, we do not have that federal participation yet.

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

As always, Kure Beach remains ready to partner with you and your staff to advocate for healthy beaches that protect our infrastructure from hurricanes and other natural disasters.

Respectfully,

Craig Bloszinsky
Mayor