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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee Republicans H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Democrats
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Membrane Filtration Building Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Cumberland, MD, located at 57 N Liberty St, Cumberland, MD 21502. The funding will be used to construct a new membrane and granular activated carbon (GAC) filtration building, along with a below-grade clearwell, chemical feed room, and a 5.0 million-gallon water storage tank. This upgrade will improve the City of Cumberland's water treatment capacity and efficiency, meeting current and future drinking water standards. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses critical structural and operational issues in the aging water filtration facility, ensuring compliance with future drinking water standards. Upgrading to a more efficient and reliable system will improve water quality for approximately 18,000 residents and ensure the long-term safety of the City's water supply. The project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

April McClain Delaney

Member of Congress