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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations 2207 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro

I am requesting funding for a Seismically Resilient Water Treatment Plant Chemical Building project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Hillsboro, located at 150 E. Main Street, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123. The funding would be used for engineering, permitting, planning and required studies for a seismically reinforced building foundation. In the event of a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake, the Joint Water Commission Water Treatment Plant needs to quickly restore water service for the health of the more than 450,000 residents it serves. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will directly benefit rate payers by helping to reduce water rate increases on water customers and improve worker safety by providing seismically reinforced storage for water treatment chemicals.

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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Bonamici

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