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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Appropriations Committee United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the project named the "Cavalier Trail Park Sewage Flow Equalization Basin" in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Falls Church, located at 300 Park Avenue, Suite 203E, 22046.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the improved sewage and storm water management capacity provided by the proposed flow equalization basin will enable the City to approve further high- and medium-density mixed-use developments and unlock additional economic growth in the area.

The flow equalization basin will help manage sewage and storm water during periods of high rainfall. The project would serve to attenuate the peak flows, by temporarily storing the excess water and slowly releasing it. Without this additional capacity, the City will have to institute a sewer moratorium and prohibit new connections to the Fairfax County tributary portion of the City's sewer system. This will result in significant loss of economic development and community amenities. Construction of the proposed flow equalization basin will enable the City to provide sewer service to a large mixed-use, public-private partnership project known as West Falls, which will include a senior housing building, medical offices, apartments and condominiums.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,

Donald S. Beyer Jr.