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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lift Station Project in fiscal year 2026. The intended recipient is Webber Township, located at 2286 West Springtime Street, PO Box 939, Baldwin, MI 49304. The funding would enable the township to construct a new lift station to support the re-opening of the North Lake Facility in Baldwin, Michigan, as part of their federal contract to house ICE detainees. As of now, the lift station could only support about 60% of the total number of detainees that GEO expects at full capacity. Additionally, the township's contract engineering firm has stated that if it overflows due to the higher use, it would cause a sanitary sewage overflow catastrophe. Water would have to be shut off to the prison and to the township's other commercial and residential customers until it is replaced. This is an appropriate use of tax dollars, as it supports the economic growth of the region and the health of citizens.

This 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.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,



JOHN MOOLENAAR
Member of Congress