Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations The Capitol, Room H-307 Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 LHOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Barona Band of Mission Indians Water Infrastructure Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Barona Group of the Capitan Grande Band of Mission Indians of the Barona Reservation, located at 1095 Barona Road, Lakeside, CA 92040. The funding would be used to deliver treated and recycled water service to the reservation. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will increase water reliability for a sovereign tribal nation within my district and benefit the communities around it.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

DARRELL ISSA Member of Congress