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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
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H-305, United States Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding in the amount of \$1,100,00.00 for the Town of Stuart, Virginia Water Resilience and Reliability Initiative project in fiscal year 2024. The funding would be used to perform site grading and concrete work, purchase necessary transfer switches for interconnection, and order the emergency generators with associated appurtenances, for the Town-owned water treatment facilities and pump stations.

Sponsoring this project is Town of Stuart, Virginia with government offices located at 100 Patrick Avenue, Stuart, Virginia 24171.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Town of Stuart owns and maintains the only municipal water treatment and wastewater treatment systems within Patrick County, which serves the high school, two elementary schools, all community health care facilities, the designated emergency shelter, three separate industrial areas, and the area's largest volunteer fire department. If the Town loses power for any reason, the entire community's water security and reliability would be in jeopardy. This initiative looks to provide water resilience and reliability for the residents of this community by developing backup power systems for the existing water and sewer infrastructure.

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.

Sincerely,

H. MORGAN GRIFFITH
Member of Congress