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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting Community Project Funding for the Hingham Inner Harbor Resiliency project for Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Hingham, located at 210 Central Street, Hingham, MA 02043.

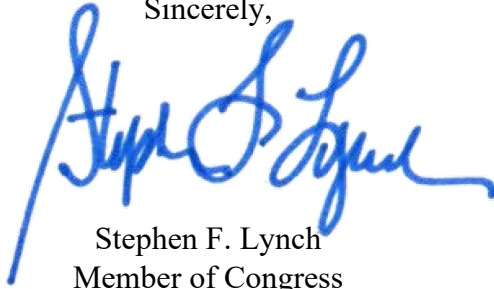
The funding would be used to construct a mixture of soft and hard shoreline protections necessary to mitigate climate change induced sea level rise and storm surge which periodically flood public open space in the existing condition and will result in flooding of state highways linking the communities of Hull, Cohasset, and Scituate to Boston. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will benefit the 25,000 citizens of Hingham, and the regional communities by protecting facilities necessary to provide public accessibility to the water, protecting open space which is accessible to the public for active and passive recreation, protecting the integrity of the Route 3A State Highway Layout, and protecting downtown Hingham.

The protection afforded will prevent or reduce the incidence of and/or damage caused by flooding associated with sea level rise and coastal storm surge and will maintain accessible transportation routes for emergency evacuation and access for emergency responders during significant events. Furthermore, the project as designed will provide resiliency along Hingham Harbor's shoreline for projected sea level rise and storm surge related flooding through 2050 with the anticipation of incorporating additional modular elements as required to provide protection through 2070.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen F. Lynch", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stephen F. Lynch  
Member of Congress