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March 24, 2023

Congresswoman Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Oakdale Sewer Expansion Project in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Suffolk County Department of Public Works located at 355 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, NY 11980. The funding would be used to support Suffolk County's long-term plan to eliminate the 380,000 cesspools and septic systems that have been identified as the primary source of nitrogen pollution into local bays, harbors, and drinking water.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will have a significant positive impact on the County of Suffolk and its residents. By allowing the completion of this much needed project, those living in Oakdale will benefit from improved surface and groundwater quality, and local fish, wildlife, and wetlands shall be supported by reducing the harmful environmental impacts of current waste collection infrastructure.

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

Sincerely,



ANDREW R. GARBARINO
Member of Congress