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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request funding for the Flat Creek Reuse Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive this funding is the City of Waco, Texas, located at 300 Austin Avenue, Waco, TX 76702.

This funding would be utilized as part of the Flat Creek Reuse Project, to reuse highly treated effluent. Once completed, this project will add 7.5 million gallons per day of treated water for use by businesses in the City of Waco and surrounding areas in McLennan County. Specifically, the funds will be used to install a new storage tank and pumps to be located at the Waco Regional Wastewater Treatment plan, as well as new storage tanks and distribution pumps at the Waco Industrial Park. This reuse project will supply treated effluent to businesses in the Waco Industrial Park for purposes for which drinking water is currently being used – for both irrigation and industrial purposes. Effluent will be treated before it is pumped into the system for reuse. The service area for this project will cover the entire Waco Industrial Park, which is approximately 3,600 acres and is home to over 50 manufacturers and commercial businesses. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will directly address the need for adequate water supply for commerce in Waco and free up critical additional drinking water supply for rural communities in Eastern McLennan County to more ably comply with Clean Water Act mandates. My community project funding request for this project is \$5,000,000.

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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Pete Sessions

Member of Congress