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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the City of Bothell's Woodcrest Utility Replacement Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bothell, located at 18415 101st Ave NE Bothell, WA 98011.

The funding would be used for replacing the Woodcrest neighborhood's failing water utilities to bring them up to current standards, provide improved service and fire flow, improve substandard sewer and stormwater infrastructure, reduce utility repairs and maintenance, and reduce impacts to human health and the environment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would replace failing water, sewer, and stormwater systems for a vulnerable seniors' community without the means to make these critical investments on their own. Significantly reducing system failure will save local tax dollars spent on maintenance, operations, environmental remediation, and emergency response.

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,

Suzan K. DelBene Member of Congress