## Congress of the United States

## House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-2404

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

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

## Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Singing River Island Economic Growth Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Mississippi Development Authority located at P. O. Box 849, Jackson, MS 39205. The funding would be used for repurposing a valuable resource to support a multitude of iniatives such as real-time emergency operations, coastal restoration, and cutting-edge research in multi-domain autonomy. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these initiatives would support economic growth and innovation across the region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1).

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

Sincerely,

Mike Fzell

Member of Congress