

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20510

March 19, 2026

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

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

Dear Chair and Ranking Member:

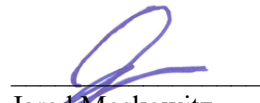
I am requesting \$2,400,000 in funding for the Coral Reef Modeling and Resilience Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Nova Southeastern University, located at 3300 S University Drive, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33328 with the project location taking place at the same location.

This project is vital to restore and increase the resilience of Florida's Coral Reef and the efficacy of these benefits. Integrating existing and new field and genetic data into predictive models will inform the best management actions. This is particularly important due to the upcoming Port Everglades Navigation Improvements Project. To address both the current reef restoration needs as well as prepare for the mitigation goals set for the Port Everglades work to come, funding for this project will allow for the installation of an on-site high-performance computing system (HPC) capable of processing the large, complex datasets required for effective coral restoration planning in real-time.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1452-1453.).

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

Sincerely,

  
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Jared Moskowitz  
Member of Congress