## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3215

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Army Corps Harlem River Feasibility Study in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, located at 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278

The funding would be used to investigate the feasibility of restoration opportunities along the Harlem River. The New York District and USACE "Engineering With Nature" (EWN) Program would identify shoreline opportunities for development along the river. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the recommendation expects to restore degraded habitat and provide secondary flood risk management benefits while integrating infrastructure along the waterfront greenway.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Resolution dated April 15, 1999, Docket Number 2596, Section 401(5) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2020 (134 Stat. 2739), Section 8356 of WRDA 2022.

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

Sincerely,

Ritchie Torres

Member of Congress