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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
2358-B Rayburn Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Tampa Bay Water for South Hillsborough Wellfield Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding is Tampa Bay Water located at 2575 Enterprise Road, Clearwater, FL 33763. The funding would be a valuable use of taxpayer dollars because it would be used to enhance sustainable water supply capacity in South County, keep utility costs low, protect a local aquifer, and strengthen regional resilience to drought and emergencies.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Castor".

Kathy Castor  
United States Representative  
Florida – District 14