Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307 U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Jim Thorpe Water Treatment Plant Drinking Water Tank Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Borough of Jim Thorpe located at 101 E. 10th St., Jim Thorpe, PA, 18229.

The funding would be used for the construction of a secondary one-million-gallon water storage tank to provide uninterrupted water service to 2,274 primary residents, 784 water customers, and hundreds of thousands of annual tourists. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enhance public safety by ensuring continuous access to clean drinking water, even during maintenance or emergencies, and would protect historic buildings and residents from reduced fire protection due to water service interruptions.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Ryan Mackenzie

Member of Congress

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