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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
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Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Pu'uloa Fishpond Restoration project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of Hawai'i Sea Grant College Program located at 2525 Correa Rd, HIG 239, Honolulu, HI 96822.

The funding would be used for a coordinated effort to restore fishponds in Pu'uloa through remediation planning, restoration of fishpond infrastructure and invasive species management. Hawai'i Sea Grant will work with two fishponds in the area undergoing active restoration and build capacity support for staffing, training, equipment and program stability. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would restore the degraded coastal ecosystem, improve seafood safety and support long-term coastal resilience.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq.).

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

With aloha,



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