Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the **Moku o Loʻe Marine Laboratory Refuge Eco-Friendly Sea Wall Research** project in Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the **Hawaiʻi Institute of Marine Biology** located at **46-007 Lilipuna Road, Kāneʻohe, HI 96744**.

Moku o Loʻe Marine Laboratory Refuge, home of the Hawaiʻi Institute of Marine Biology, is suffering from major seawall failure throughout Moku o Loʻe (Coconut Island). The sea wall is over 80 years old and protects millions of dollars in infrastructure supporting cutting edge research focused on marine conservation. The funding would be used for the design of a pilot investigation that examines the capacity of innovative blue-green design approaches to enhance native coral habitat and provide protection to critical coastal infrastructure in Hawaiʻi.

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

Thank you for your time and consideration.

With aloha,

*Ed Case*
Member of Congress
Hawaiʻi-First District