Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3216

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the 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 **City Park Drainage Improvements Project** in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is The **City of New Rochelle**, located at **491** 5th **Ave., New Rochelle, NY 10801.** The funding would be used to design and construction of drainage improvements at Flowers (City) Park and surrounding roadways to address extreme flooding concerns experienced during storm events.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the areas in and around City Park are low-lying and flood as a result of extreme weather, including during Hurricane Ida and September 29th events, among others. The general City Park area collects several drainage networks that converge together and discharge through a single pipe system, out to the adjacent municipality (Larchmont). Through federal funding, this project will prevent future damage to critical infrastructure.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,

George Latimer Member of Congress