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March 19, 2026

Andy Harris, Chairman
Sanford Bishop, Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Harris and Ranking Member Bishop:

I am requesting funding for the City of Winona Water Treatment Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2027 under the Environmental Protection Agency's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) account. The entity to receive funding is the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors, located at Unit System Building, Poor House Road, Winona, Mississippi 38967.

The funding will be used to rehabilitate the City of Winona's aging water treatment plant, including upgrades to filtration systems, aeration equipment, and key mechanical and control components. The project will also address structural deficiencies within the facility to ensure safe and reliable operation. The plant, originally constructed in the early 1990s, has experienced significant deterioration, resulting in decreased water quality, increased maintenance needs, and risk of system failure.

This project is a priority for the district because it addresses critical drinking water infrastructure needs in a rural community with limited local resources. The water treatment plant serves as a primary source of potable water for residents, businesses, and essential facilities, and its continued deterioration poses risks to public health and system reliability. These improvements will ensure compliance with drinking water standards, improve water quality, and provide consistent, reliable service to the community.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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H-307, The Capitol
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

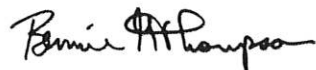
I am requesting funding for the City of Winona Water Treatment Improvements Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors, located at Unit System Building, Poor House Road, Winona, Mississippi 38967.

The funding would be used to rehabilitate the City of Winona's water treatment plant, including upgrades to filtration, aeration, and mechanical systems, as well as structural improvements necessary to maintain reliable operation. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses aging infrastructure that threatens water quality, system reliability, and public health, while reducing the need for costly emergency repairs and extending the lifespan of critical infrastructure.

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)**, which supports drinking water infrastructure improvements to ensure safe and reliable water service.

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

Sincerely,



Bennie G. Thompson
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