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March 21, 2023

The Honorable Michael Guest
United States House of Representatives
450 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

**SUBJECT: Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) – Ridgeland, MS
Purple Creek Flood Mitigation and Restoration**

Dear Representative Guest:

I write on behalf of the City of Ridgeland, MS, in support of a grant for erosion control, bank stabilization, and flood risk reduction for this repetitive flood-prone area. The city must address the Purple Creek area and its tributaries. This creek is located in the Brashear Creek-Pearl River Watershed and has been identified as a priority watershed by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality. The proposed improvements will diminish flood risk and reduce erosion while improving water quality within impaired areas of the Pearl River.

My agency fully supports awarding a PDM grant for Ridgeland and can serve as the grant recipient. If you have any questions, please me at 601-933-6362.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stephen C. McCraney".

Stephen C. McCraney
Executive Director