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March 29, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

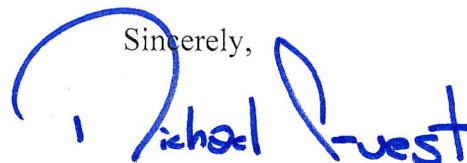
I am requesting funding for the City of Ridgeland, Mississippi, Purple Creek Flood Mitigation and Restoration in Fiscal Year 2024. The intended recipient is the City of Ridgeland located at 100 West School Street, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 39158. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds as it not only reduces chronic erosion and flooding, this project would also improve water quality within the Brasher Creek-Pearl River Watershed, which has been recognized by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality as a watershed of concern under Clean Water Act guidance. The watershed is included in the Madison County Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan that is working to address ongoing flood-related concerns on a county-wide basis. The City of Ridgeland has worked with the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency on these watershed improvement efforts and has included Purple Creek in the City's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

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.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress

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