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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 House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Brunswick Harbor Operations and Maintenance in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The funding would be used for annual dredging to maintain the federal project depth of -36 feet (-38 feet in the entrance channel) at mean low water. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Port of Brunswick is the vital supply chain conduit and job creator for both the state and the nation. As America's busiest gateway for auto and machinery cargo, Brunswick's importance to the United States is evident by the many auto manufacturers that continue to expand their reliance on this port. Without proper maintenance at this critical port, American commerce will experience unnecessary delays and cost increases on their supply chains.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 101 of Water Resources Development Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-53).

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

Sincerely,

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