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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Camden County Resiliency Center in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Camden County Board of Commissioners, located at 135 North Gross Road Kingsland, GA 31548.

The funding would be used for the Camden County Resiliency Center will be a community center point charged with protecting, restoring, and responsibly developing the Camden County coastal community and resources. The Community Resiliency Center will partner with Coastal College of Georgia, Georgia Institute of Technology, and the University of Georgia to engage, educate, and monitor our coastal environment, and champion for smart development that provides economic opportunity, while also mitigating hazards and adapting to a changing environment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will first build capacities, and strengthen community resilience at all levels. The facility is designed to support community engagement through training, orientation, visual displays with extensive use of ARC GIS. The facility by design immerses the community into the challenges faced by sea level rise, saltwater marsh inundation, and coastal erosion. The second mission set is to function as a Community Recovery Operations Center. The resiliency center will play a critical role in post disasters in providing local governments, faith based, and other non-profits with the necessary infrastructure to conduct community recovery efforts. This centralized, hardened facility will allow all levels of government and non-government to address unmet needs within our community, especially for our most vulnerable members of society.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq.). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Earl L. "Buddy" Carter
Member of Congress