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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 Tybee Island Shore Protection Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars, because it will be used as part of an ongoing 50-year construction beach nourishment project designed to protect the City of Tybee Island ("Georgia's Beach") from hurricanes, coastal storms and flooding while also mitigating erosional impacts caused by the deepening of the Savannah Harbor Channel. The project has been an enormous success, offsetting billions of dollars in potential damages while driving tourism in record numbers to Tybee Island.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 201 of the Flood Control Act of 1965, as amended

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